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COLLECTION OF INDULGENCED PRAYERS.

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HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY,

ALL ESPECIALLY WHO HAVE BEEN BENEFACTORS

OF THE CONGREGATION OF THE ORATORY,

AND ARE NOW IN NEED OF THE PRAYERS OF THOSE

WHOM ON EARTH

THEY AIDED TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD,

This Translation

IS AFFECTIONATELY DEDICATED.

The Oratory, Edgbaston,
Nov. 2, 1857.

(TRANSLATION.)

MOST BLESSED FATHER,

In order to promote thereby the piety of the faithful in England, Ambrose St. John, Priest of the Oratory of St. Philip Neri, in the Diocese of Birmingham, humbly prays for permission to print in English a translation of the book entitled *Raccolta di Orazioni &c. alle quali sono annesse le SS. Indulgenze*, having first obtained the approbation of His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster; and also that the faithful who make use of this translation may gain all the indulgences annexed to the original.

After an audience of the Holy Father, granted February 3, 1856, our most Holy Lord Pius IX., by Divine Providence Pope, on an application made by me, the undersigned Secretary of the Sacred Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith, has of his goodness answered by Rescript in favour of the grace, according to the terms of the petition, provided the translation be made from the last Roman edition, and it being understood that the Decree printed at the end of this edition remains in full force.

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AL. BARNABÒ, *Secretary*.

In the place of ✠ the seal.

We approve of the Translation by virtue of the above Rescript of His Holiness.

N. CARDINAL ARCHBISHOP.

Westminster, Oct. 23, 1857.

GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR GAINING INDULGENCES.

1—State of Grace. 2—Intention (*a*). 3—Contrition. 4—Accuracy and Devotion in doing what is enjoined.

FURTHER CONDITIONS FOR A PLENARY INDULGENCE.

5—Confession (*b*). 6—Communion (*c*). 7—A visit to a Church or Public Oratory (*d*). 8—Prayer for the intention of the Pope (*e*). 9—Above all things it is necessary to have a true hatred of all sins, even venial sins, and to be wholly free from any voluntary attachment to them.

(*a*)—A general intention of gaining all indulgences, which should be renewed from time to time, say every morning, is sufficient.

By a further general intention all, or by a particular intention any, indulgences may be applied for the benefit of the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

(*b*)—The Confession alone, or the Confession and Communion, *may* be made on the day immediately preceding the day appointed for gaining the indulgence.

The Weekly Confession of those who have the pious habit of confessing every week is sufficient (except for Jubilees).

(*c*)—One Communion serves for all the indulgences obtainable on the same day. But—

(*d*)—A separate visit must be made for each.

If the intention of the Pope is duly prayed for at the time of Communion, a separate visit to the Church need not be made, unless two or more indulgences are to be gained.

(*e*)—The intention of the Pope always includes the following objects, which should be recalled and prayed for at the visit:

1—The progress of the Faith and triumph of the Church.

2—Peace and Union among Christian Princes and Rulers.

3—The Conversion of Sinners.

4—The Uprooting of Heresy.

In the great work of personal satisfaction for our sins, Indulgences take the place of the long penances imposed by the Early Church, and the *days*, *quarantines*, or *years* mentioned in them denote the terms of penance to which they are equivalent, *i.e.*, for the remission of temporal punishment, a quarantine being a Lent kept according to the strict discipline of the Early Church.

For the Doctrine of Indulgences, see *Sarra*, *Domma delle S. Indulgenze*, translated by Fr. AMBROSE ST. JOHN, of the Oratory.

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY.

RACCOLTA, &c.;

OR,

COLLECTION OF INDULGENCES.

N.B.—Unless otherwise declared, an indulgence may be gained any number of times.

To gain a "Plenary once (or twice) a month" the indulgenced prayer or act must be repeated daily for a month.

1.

ANGELIC TRISAGION.

INDULGENCES:

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.

ii. 100 DAYS, three times on Sunday, and daily throughout the octave of Trinity Sunday.

iii. PLENARY, once a month.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus exercituum: Plena est terra gloria tua: Gloria Patri, Gloria Filio, Gloria Spiritui Sancto.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts, earth is full of Thy Glory. Glory be to the Father, Glory be to the Son, Glory be to the Holy Ghost.

2.

GLORIA PATRI SEVEN TIMES, SAID BY THREE PERSONS CONJOINTLY.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.

ii. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, on

Sunday, to all the faithful who say thrice a day, morning, afternoon, and evening, *Gloria Patri* seven times, and *Ave Maria* once, in honour of the Mystery of the Most Holy Trinity.

iii. PLENARY, twice a month, on any two Sundays in the month.

N.B.—In order to gain these Indulgences there must be a pious union of three persons, who shall agree amongst themselves to recite these prayers, either together or by themselves; and should any one of the three die, or in some other way fail to say them, then the other two must find a substitute, so that the union of three persons may be always maintained.

3.

GLORIA PATRI THRICE IN THANKSGIVING, ETC.

i. 100 DAYS, each time, for saying every morning, noon, and evening, *Gloria Patri* thrice in thanksgiving to the Most Holy Trinity for the graces and privileges granted to most holy Mary, especially in her glorious Assumption into heaven.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

4.

MASS, AND THANKSGIVING PRAYERS TO THE MOST HOLY TRINITY FOR THE GIFTS AND PRIVILEGES BESTOWED ON OUR LADY.

i. 300 DAYS, for assisting at this Mass, &c.

ii. PLENARY, twice a month.

N.B.—Only one Votive Mass of the Most Holy Trinity can be celebrated each day, and this in one church alone in a city or village; this church must be designated by the Ordinary. The Mass may be said on days when the office is of an ordinary double festival. On days when the rite is a major double, or double of the second class, the Mass of the day must be said with a Commemoration of the Most Holy Trinity; this permission, however, does not

extend to Sundays or doubles of the first class. This Mass may be applied according to the intention of the benefactors, or for any other pious object, or in suffrage for the dead.

PRAYERS TO BE SAID BY PRIEST AND PEOPLE AFTER THE MASS.

i. Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Three Persons and One God, we adore Thee, and with all the love of our whole heart we give Thee thanks for the high gifts and privileges granted to Mary most holy in her glorious and Immaculate Conception.

Gloria Patri *thrice, and* Ave *once.*

ii. Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, we adore Thee, and with all the love of our whole heart we give Thee thanks for the high gifts and privileges granted to Mary most holy in her glorious Nativity.

Gloria Patri *thrice, and* Ave *once.*

iii. Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, we adore Thee, and with all the love of our whole heart we give Thee thanks for the high gifts and privileges granted to Mary most holy in her glorious Presentation in the Temple.

Gloria Patri *thrice, and* Ave *once.*

iv. Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, we adore Thee, and with all the love of our whole heart we give Thee thanks for the high gifts and privileges granted to Mary most holy in her glorious Annunciation.

Gloria Patri *thrice, and* Ave *once.*

v. Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, we adore Thee, and with all the love of our whole heart we give Thee thanks for the high gifts and privileges granted to Mary most holy in her glorious Visitation.

Gloria Patri *thrice, and* Ave *once.*

vi. Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, we adore Thee, and with all the love of our whole heart we give Thee thanks for the high gifts and privileges granted to Mary most holy in her glorious Purification.

Gloria Patri *thrice, and* Ave *once.*

vii. Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, we adore Thee, and with all the love of our whole heart we give Thee thanks for the high gifts and privileges granted to Mary most holy in her most glorious Assumption.

Gloria Patri *thrice, and* Ave *once.*

Lastly, we give Thee most hearty thanks for that Thou hast exalted and glorified the most holy and most sweet name of Mary throughout the whole world.

PRAYER TO THE MOST HOLY VIRGIN.

Mary, dear mother! mother most amiable! tender mother! mother full of love and sweetness for thy clients and children! we pray thee, by this our loving act of thanksgiving to the Most Holy Trinity, obtain for all of us grace ever to employ

the powers of our soul, and our bodily senses, to the honour and glory of God, One in Three Persons, directing all our actions to Him, and loving Him with pure heart, even as thou didst love Him here on earth; that thus we may be able to attain to the enjoyment of Him in the bliss of heaven with thee for ever and ever.

Bless us in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

All say the Salve, Regina, *then—*

V. Benedicamus Patrem, et Filium, cum Sancto Spiritu.

R. Laudemus et superexaltemus Eum in sæcula.

Oremus.

Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, qui dedisti famulis tuis in confessione veræ fidei æternæ Trinitatis gloriam agnoscere, et in potentia Majestatis adorare Unitatem; quæsumus ut ejusdem fidei firmitate ab omnibus semper muniamur adversis. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *R.* Amen.

(*Translation.*)

V. Let us bless the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

R. Let us praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, who hast given to us Thy servants grace by the confession of the true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal

Trinity, and in the power of Thy Majesty to worship the Unity; grant, we beseech Thee, that by the firmness of this our faith we may ever be defended from all adversities. Through Christ our Lord. *R.* Amen.

5.

OTHER THANKSGIVING PRAYERS FOR ALL THE PRIVILEGES GRANTED TO MARY MOST HOLY IN HER ASSUMPTION INTO HEAVEN.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE PRAYERS.

Adore the Eternal Father with a Pater, Ave, *and* Gloria; *then say,*

I adore Thee, Eternal Father, my Lord and my God, in union with all the heavenly host, rendering Thee infinite thanks on the part of Mary, most holy Virgin, Thy well-beloved daughter, for every grace and favour Thou hast granted her, and, above all, for the might wherewith Thou didst exalt her on her Assumption into heaven.

Adore the Eternal Son with a Pater, Ave, *and* Gloria; *then say,*

I adore Thee too, Eternal Son, my God, my Lord, and my Redeemer, in union with all the heavenly host, rendering Thee infinite thanks on the part of Mary, Virgin most blessed, Thy well-beloved mother, for every grace and favour Thou hast granted her, and, above all, for the gift of

highest wisdom with which Thou didst glorify her on her Assumption into heaven.

Adore the Holy Ghost with a Pater, Ave, *and* Gloria; *then say,*

I adore Thee also, O Holy Ghost, the Paraclete, my God and my Lord, and in union with all the heavenly host I render Thee infinite thanks in the name of the most blessed Virgin, Thy most loving Spouse, for every grace and favour Thou hast granted her, and, above all, for that most perfect and divine charity with which Thou didst inflame her most holy and most pure heart in the act of her most glorious Assumption into heaven. In the name of Thy most chaste Spouse, I humbly beg of Thee to grant me the grace of remission of all my most grievous sins which I have committed from the first moment when I was able to sin until this day, for all of which I grieve exceedingly, firmly purposing rather to die than ever again offend Thy Divine Majesty; and relying on the high merits and most powerful protection of this Thy most loving Spouse, I beg of Thee to grant me and to N. the most precious gift of Thy grace and Divine love, by vouchsafing me those lights and special helps whereby Thy eternal providence has predetermined to will my salvation, and to bring me to Thyself.

Then say three times,

Sancta Maria, et omnes Sancti et Sanctæ Dei, intercedite pro nobis ad Dominum, ut nos mereamur ab eo adjuvari et salvari. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Holy Mary, all ye holy men and women, saints of God, intercede for us to our Lord, that we may merit His help and be saved. Amen.

TO THE MOST BLESSED VIRGIN.

I acknowledge thee and I venerate thee, most holy Virgin, Queen of heaven, Lady and Mistress of the Universe, as Daughter of the Eternal Father, Mother of His well-beloved Son, and most loving Spouse of the Holy Spirit. Kneeling at the feet of thy great majesty, with all humility I pray thee, through that divine charity with which thou wast so bounteously enriched on thy Assumption into heaven, to vouchsafe me favour and pity, placing me under thy most safe and faithful protection, and receiving me into the number of those happy and highly-favoured servants of thine whose names thou dost carry graven on thy virgin breast. Deign, Mother and Lady most tender, to accept this miserable heart, memory, will, powers, and senses, internal and external; eyes, ears, mouth, hands, feet; govern them all in conformity to the good pleasure of thy Son, as I intend by every movement of them to give thee infinite glory. And, by that wisdom with which thy well-beloved Son glorified thee, I pray and beseech thee to obtain for me light and vision clearly to know myself and my own nothingness, and in particular to know my sins, that so I may hate and loathe them; I pray thee also to obtain for me light to discern the snares of the infernal enemy, and all his modes of attack, whether open or hidden. Above all, most tender Mother, I beg of thee the grace of N.

Say three times,

Virgo singularis,	Virgins of all virgins,
Inter omnes mitis,	To thy shelter take us,
Nos, culpis solutos,	Gentlest of the gentle,
Mites, fac et castos.	Chaste and gentle make us.

Oremus.

Famulorum tuorum, quæsumus, Domine, delictis ignosce; ut qui tibi, placere de actibus, nostris non valemus, Genitricis Filii tui Domini nostri intercessione salvemur. Per eumdem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Benedicat et custodiat nos omnipotens et misericors Dominus, Pater et Filius, et Spiritus Sanctus. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Let us pray.

Pardon, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the sins of Thy servants; that we, who of our own actions know not how to please Thee, may be saved by the intercession of the Mother of Thy Son our Lord. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, bless and preserve us. Amen.

6.

THREE OFFERINGS, WITH PATER, ETC., THRICE TO THE MOST HOLY TRINITY FOR A GOOD DEATH.

i. 100 DAYS.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE OFFERINGS.

i. We offer to the Most Holy Trinity the merits of Jesus Christ, in thanksgiving for the Most Precious Blood which He shed in the garden for us; and through those merits we beseech His Divine Majesty for pardon of our sins.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

ii. We offer to the Most Holy Trinity the merits of Jesus Christ, in thanksgiving for His most precious death endured on the cross for us; and through those merits we beseech His Divine Majesty for the remission of the pains due to our sins.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

iii. We offer to the Most Holy Trinity the merits of Jesus Christ, in thanksgiving for His unspeakable charity, by which He descended from heaven to earth to take human flesh, and to suffer and die for us upon the cross; and by those merits we beseech His Divine Majesty to bring our souls to the glory of heaven after our death.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

7.

TRIDUO, OR NOVENA TO THE MOST HOLY TRINITY.

i. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES every day of a Triduo or Novena to be kept in honour of the Most Holy Trinity, either in public or private;

ii. PLENARY, to those who shall keep such Novena or Triduo completely.

8.

INVOCATION OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY ON MAKING THE SIGN OF THE CROSS.

i. 50 DAYS.

ii. 100 DAYS, if made with Holy Water.

✠ In the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

9.

Two half-hours, viz., the last of the Old Year and the first of the New Year, spent in Thanksgiving for benefits received, and in praying for peace among Christian Nations, Concord among Christian Princes, the Conversion of Sinners, and the triumph of the Church and the Roman Pontiff.

SEVEN YEARS.

ALMIGHTY GOD.

10.

ACTS OF FAITH, HOPE, AND CHARITY.

i. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.
iii. PLENARY, *in articulo mortis* (at the hour of death).

N.B.—Any form of words may be used, provided it expresses the motive of the virtue.

ACTS OF THE THEOLOGICAL VIRTUES.

Act of Faith.

I most firmly believe, because God, who is the infallible Truth, hath so revealed to the Holy Catholic Church, and through the Church reveals to us, that there is one only God in three divine Persons, equal and distinct, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; that the Son became man by taking to himself flesh and a human soul through the operation of the Holy Ghost in the womb of the most pure Virgin Mary; that He died for us upon the cross, rose again, ascended into heaven, and from thence shall come again at the end of the world to judge the living and the dead, to give Paradise for ever to the good and hell to the wicked; moreover, upon the same motive I believe all that the same holy Church believes and teaches.

Act of Hope.

O my God, because Thou art almighty, infinitely good and merciful, I hope that by the merits of the Passion and Death of Jesus Christ

our Saviour, Thou wilt grant me eternal life, which Thou, most faithful, hast promised to all those who shall do the works of a good Christian, as I purpose to do by Thy holy help.

Act of Charity.

O my God, because Thou art the highest and most perfect good, I love Thee with my whole heart, and above all things; and rather than offend Thee, I am ready to lose all things; and moreover for Thy love I love, and will love my neighbour as myself.

11

PRAISES TO THE HOLY NAME OF GOD, IN REPARATION FOR BLASPHEMIES.

i. ONE YEAR.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE ACT OF PRAISE.

Blessed be God.
Blessed be His holy Name.
Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.
Blessed be the Name of Jesus.
Blessed be Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.
Blessed be the great Mother of God, most holy Mary.
Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.
Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.
Blessed be God in His holy angels and in His saints.

12

CHAPLET OF ACTS OF THE LOVE OF GOD, WITH GLORIA PATRI FIVE TIMES.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a year, to those who say them at least ten times a month.

THE CHAPLET OF ACTS OF LOVE.

1. O my God, and Sovereign Good, would that I had always loved Thee!
2. My God, I detest that time when I loved Thee not.
3. How could I ever live so long without Thy holy love?
4. And Thou too, my God, how couldst Thou bear with me?
5. My God, I give Thee thanks for Thy great patience.
6. But now I desire to love Thee for ever.
7. I am content rather to die than love Thee not.
8. Take from me my life, O my God, if I am not to love Thee.
9. The grace I beg of Thee is to love Thee ever.
10. With Thy love I shall be blessed.

Gloria.

1. My God, I would see Thee loved by all.
2. Happy should I be could I but shed my blood that all might love Thee.
3. He who loves Thee not is blind indeed.
4. My God, give him Thy light.

5. Miserable indeed are they who love not Thee, the Sovereign Good.
6. My God, let me never be one of those wretched ones who love Thee not.
7. My God, be Thou my joy, and all my good.
8. I would be wholly Thine for ever.
9. Who shall separate me from Thy holy love?
10. Come, all ye creatures, love ye my God.

Gloria.

1. My God, I would I had a thousand hearts wherewith to love Thee.
2. I would that I had all hearts of all men wherewith to love Thee.
3. I would there were more worlds, that all might love Thee.
4. How blessed would he be who could love Thee with the hearts of all possible creatures!
5. Thou meritest, my God, to be so loved.
6. My heart is too poor, too cold, to love Thee.
7. Alas for the dead coldness of men in not loving their sovereign Good!
8. Alas for the miserable blindness of the world which knows not Thee, who art true love.
9. O blessed inhabitants of heaven, who know and love him!
10. O blessed necessity of loving God!

Gloria.

1. My God, when will the time come that I shall burn with love for Thee?

2. Oh, then what happiness were mine!

3. But, since I know not how to love Thee, I will at least rejoice that there are others who love Thee with their whole hearts.

4. In particular I rejoice that Thou art loved by all angels and all saints in heaven.

5. With the hearts of all these I unite the love of my poor heart.

6. In a special manner I intend to love Thee with the love with which those Saints who loved Thee best have loved Thee.

7. Wherefore I intend to love Thee with the love wherewith St. Mary Magdalene, St. Catherine, and St. Teresa loved Thee.

8. With the love wherewith St. Augustine, St. Dominic, St. Francis Xavier, St. Philip Neri, and St. Louis Gonzaga loved Thee.

9. With the love wherewith Thy Holy Apostles, especially St. Peter, St. Paul, and the beloved Disciple, loved Thee.

10. With that same love wherewith St. Joseph the great Patriarch loved Thee.

Gloria.

1. Moreover, I intend to love Thee with that love wherewith Mary most holy, loved Thee when on earth.

2. In particular with that love wherewith she loved Thee when she conceived Thy Divine Son in her virgin womb, when she brought Him forth, when she suckled Him, and when she saw Him die.

3. Yet more, I intend to love Thee with that love wherewith she loves Thee, and will love Thee for ever in heaven.

4. But to love Thee worthily, O my God of infinite goodness, not even this love suffices.

5. Wherefore I would love Thee as Thy Son, the Divine Word made Man, did love Thee.

6. As He loved Thee when He was born.

7. As He loved Thee when He died upon the cross.

8. As He loves Thee ever in those sacred tabernacles where He lies hid.

9. And with that love with which He loves Thee and will love Thee in heaven for all eternity.

10. Lastly, I intend to love Thee with that love with which thou lovest Thyself; and, since that is impossible, grant me, O my God, of Thy tender pity, that I may love Thee as far as I know how and am able, and as Thou art pleased that I should love Thee. Amen and Amen.

Gloria.

Oremus.

Deus, qui diligentibus te bona invisibilia præparasti infunde cordibus nostris tui amoris affectum; ut, te in omnibus et super omnia diligentes, promissiones tuas, quæ omne desiderium superant, consequamur. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Let us pray.

O God, who hast prepared invisible good things for them that love Thee, pour into our hearts such

a desire of Thy love that we, loving Thee in all things and above all things, may attain Thy heavenly promises, which exceed all that we can desire. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

13

PRAYERS AND PETITIONS.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, once a month, on any one of the three last days of the month.

THE PRAYERS AND PETITIONS.

O Father! O Son! O Holy Ghost!

O Holy Trinity! O Jesus! O Mary!

O ye blessed Angels of God, all ye Saints of Paradise, men and women, obtain for me these graces, which I ask through the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ:

1. Ever to do the holy will of God.
2. Ever to live in union with God.
3. Not to think of anything but God.
4. To love God alone.
5. To do all for God.
6. To seek only the glory of God.
7. To sanctify myself solely for God.
8. To know well my own utter nothingness.
9. Ever to know more and more the will of my God.
10. . . . . .

Mary most Holy, offer to the Eternal Father the most Precious Blood of Jesus Christ for my

soul, for the holy souls in purgatory, for the needs of Holy Church, for the conversion of sinners, and for all the world.

Then say Gloria Patri *thrice to the most holy Blood of Jesus Christ,* Ave Maria *once to the sorrows of most holy Mary, and* Requiem æternam *once for the holy souls in purgatory.*

14

PRAYER—"PIETATE TUA."

i. 40 DAYS.

ii. 100 YEARS AND 100 QUARANTINES, for saying it every Saturday for a month.

ORATIO.

Pietate tua, quæsumus, Domine, nostrorum solve vincula peccatorum, et intercedente Beata semperque Virgine Dei Genitrice Maria, cum Beatis Apostolis tuis Petro et Paulo, et omnibus Sanctis, nos famulos tuos, et loca nostra, in omni sanctitate custodi: omnes consanguinitate, affinitate, ac familiaritate nobis conjunctos a vitiis purga, virtutibus illustra; pacem et salutem nobis tribue; hostes visibiles et invisibiles remove; carnalia desideria repelle; aerem salubrem indulge; amicis et inimicis nostris charitatem largire; Urbem tuam custodi; Pontificem nostrum N. conserva; omnes Prælatos, Principes, cunctumque Populum Christianum ab omni adversitate defende. Benedictio tua sit super nos semper; et omnibus Fidelibus defunctis requiem æternam concede. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

PRAYER.

Loosen, O Lord, we pray Thee, in Thy pity, the bonds of our sins, and by the intercession of the blessed Mary, ever Virgin Mother of God, the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and all saints, keep us Thy servants and our abodes in all holiness; cleanse us, our relations, kinsfolk, and acquaintances, from all vices; adorn us with all virtues; grant us peace and health: repel our enemies visible and invisible; curb our carnal desires; give us healthful seasons; bestow Thy charity upon our friends and our enemies; guard Thy holy city; preserve our Sovereign Pontiff N.; defend all prelates, princes, and all Christian people from all adversity. Let Thy blessing be ever upon us, and grant to all the faithful departed eternal rest. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

15

PRAYER FOR CONFESSORS.

100 DAYS, once a day, to all confessors who, before taking their seats in the tribunal of penance to hear Confessions, say the following prayer.

ORATIO.

Da mihi, Domine, sedium tuarum assistricem Sapientiam, ut sciam judicare populum tuum in justitia et pauperes tuos in judicio. Fac me ita tractare claves Regni cœlorum, ut nulli aperiam cui claudendum sit, nulli claudam cui aperiendum sit. Sit intentio mea pura, zelus meus sincerus, charitas mea patiens, labor meus fructuosus.

Sit in me lenitas non remissa, asperitas non severa; pauperem ne despiciam, diviti ne aduler. Fac me ad alliciendos peccatores suavem, ad interrogandos prudentem, ad instruendos peritum. Tribue quæso, ad retrahendos a malo solertiam, ad confirmandos in bono sedulitatem, ad promovendos ad meliora industriam: in responsis maturitatem, in consiliis rectitudinem, in obscuris lumen, in implexis sagacitatem, in arduis victoriam; inutilibus colloquiis ne detinear, pravis ne contaminer; alios salvem, meipsum non perdam. Amen.

16.

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER FOR THE CONVERSION OF THE INFIDELS, "ÆTERNE RERUM OMNIUM," ETC.

300 DAYS, once a day.

ORATIO.

Æterne rerum omnium effector Deus, memento abs te animas infidelium procreatas, easque ad imaginem et similitudinem tuum conditas. Ecce, Domine, in opprobrium tuum his ipsis infernus impletur. Memento Jesum Filium tuum pro illorum salute atrocissimam subiisse necem. Noli, quæso, Domine, ultra permittere, ut Filius tuus ab infidelibus contemnatur; sed precibus sanctorum virorum et Ecclesiæ sanctissimi Filii tui Sponsæ placatus, recordare misericordiæ tuæ, et oblitus idololatriæ et infidelitatis eorum, effice ut ipsi quoque agnoscant aliquando, quem misisti Dominum Jesum Christum, qui est salus, vita, et resurrectio nostra per quem salvati et liberati sumus: cui sit gloria per infinita sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

(*Translation*)

PRAYER.

O God, the Maker of all things, remember that the souls of unbelievers have been called into existence by Thee, and that they have been made after Thy own image and likeness. Behold, O Lord, to the dishonour of Thee, with these very souls hell is filled. Remember, O God, that for their salvation Thy Son Jesus Christ underwent the most cruel death. O Lord, suffer not that Thy Son be despised by unbelievers; but, appeased by the prayers of holy men and of the Church, the Spouse of Thy most holy Son, remember Thy own pity, and, forgetting their idolatry and their unbelief, bring to pass that they may at length acknowledge Thy Son Jesus Christ, who is our salvation, life, and resurrection, through whom we are saved and set free; to whom be glory from age to age without end. Amen.

17.

OFFERINGS TO BE MADE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE DAY, AND AT THE TIME OF THE HOLY MASS.

i. THREE YEARS, to all who say at the beginning of the day the following offering: *O Lord God Almighty*, &c.

ii. THREE YEARS, once a day, to any one who at the time of the holy Mass shall say the other offering printed below: *Eternal Father, I offer to Thee*, &c.

iii. PLENARY, to those who say both the prayers every day for a month.

THE OFFERING TO BE MADE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE DAY.

O Lord God Almighty, behold me prostrate before Thee in order to appease Thee, and to honour Thy Divine Majesty, in the name of all creatures. But how can I do this who am myself but a poor sinner? Nay, but I both can and will, knowing that Thou dost make it Thy boast to be called Father of mercies, and for love of us hast given Thy only-begotten Son, who sacrificed Himself upon the Cross, and for our sake doth continually renew that sacrifice of Himself upon our altars. And therefore do I—sinner, but penitent; poor, but rich in Jesus Christ—present myself before Thee, and, with the love of angels and of all Thy saints, and with the tender affection of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer to Thee in the name of all creatures the Masses which are now being celebrated, together with all those which have been celebrated, and which will be celebrated to the end of the world. Moreover, I intend to renew the offering of them every moment of this day and of all my life, that I may thereby render to Thy infinite Majesty an honour and a glory worthy of Thee, thus to appease Thy indignation, to satisfy Thy justice for so many sins of us Thy children, to render Thee thanks in proportion to Thy benefits, and to implore Thy mercies for myself and for all sinners, for all the faithful, living and dead, for Thy whole Church, and principally for its visible Head, the Sovereign Pontiff of Rome, and lastly for all poor schismatics, heretics, and infidels, that they also may be converted and save their souls.

THE OFFERING TO BE MADE AT THE TIME OF THE HOLY MASS.

Eternal Father, I offer to Thee the sacrifice which Thy beloved Son Jesus made of Himself upon the cross, and which He now renews upon this altar; I offer it to Thee in the name of all creatures, together with the Masses which have been celebrated and which shall be celebrated in the whole world, in order to adore Thee, and to give Thee the honour which Thou dost deserve; to render to Thee due thanks for Thy innumerable benefits, to appease Thy anger for our sins, and to give Thee due satisfaction for them; to entreat Thee also for myself, for the Church, for the whole world, and for the blessed souls in purgatory. Amen.

18

PRAYER IN THE FORM OF OFFERING, "ETERNAL FATHER," ETC.

100 DAYS, once a day.

THE PRAYER.

Eternal Father, we offer Thee the Blood, Passion, and Death of Jesus Christ, the sorrows of the most holy Mary and St. Joseph, in payment of our sins, in suffrage for the holy souls in purgatory, for the wants of our holy Mother the Church, and for the conversion of sinners. Amen.

19.

AN ACT OF FAITH.

100 DAYS.

O mi Deus, credo in te; credo omnia quæ tu revelasti et quæ sancta Ecclesia catholica credenda proponit. Credo in primis beatissimam Virginem Mariam vere esse Dei genitricem; credo firmiter et indubitanter eam esse simul matrem et virginem, et liberam ab omni etiam minimo peccato actuali; item firmiter et indubitanter credo Mariam in primo instanti suæ conceptionis fuisse, singulari omnipotentis Dei gratia et privilegio, intuitu meritorum Christi Jesu, Salvatoris humani generis, ab omni originalis culpæ labe præservatam immunem. Item firmiter et indubitanter credo Romanum Pontificem cum ex cathedra loquitur, id est, cum omnium christianorum pastoris et doctoris munere fungens, pro sua suprema et apostolica auctoritate doctrinam de fide et moribus ab universa Ecclesia tenendam definit, per assistentiam divinam ipsi in beato Petro promissam, ea infallibilitate pollere, qua divinus Redemptor Ecclesiam suam in definiendo de fide vel moribus instructam esse voluit: ideoque ejusmodi Romani Pontificis definitiones ex sese, non autem ex consensu Ecclesiæ, irreformabiles esse. Hæc omnia credo quia sancta tua Ecclesia quæ est columna et fundamentum veritatis, quæ nunquam erravit nec unquam errare potest, hæc credenda proponit.

(*Translation.*)

O my God! I believe in Thee; I believe all that Thou hast revealed, and that the holy Catholic Church proposes to my belief. I believe, first, that the most blessed Virgin is truly the Mother of God; I believe firmly, and with all certainty, that she is at the same time mother and virgin, and that she is free from even the least actual sin. I also believe most firmly, and with all certainty, that by a singular grace and privilege of Almighty God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Saviour of the human race, Mary was, in the first instant of her conception, preserved free from all stain of original sin. I believe most firmly, and with all certainty that when the Roman Pontiff speaks *ex cathedra*—that is, when in quality of the chief pastor and teacher of all Christians, he, in virtue of his supreme and apostolic authority, defines the doctrine to be held by the universal Church concerning faith or morals—by the divine assistance, promised him in the person of St. Peter, enjoys that infallibility with which the divine Redeemer wished His Church to be endowed when defining matters of faith or morals; and, therefore, that such definitions of the Roman Pontiff are, of themselves, and not from the consent of the Church, irreformable. I believe all this, because Thy holy Church, which is the pillar and ground of truth, which has never erred and can never err, proposes it to be believed.

20.

AN OFFERING.

To be said every morning.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

Eternal God, behold me prostrate before the immensity of Thy majesty. I humbly adore Thee, and offer Thee all my thoughts, words, and works of this day. I intend to do everything for love of Thee, for Thy glory, and for the fulfilment of Thy divine will; in order to serve, praise, and bless Thee, to be enlightened in the mysteries of our holy faith, to secure my salvation, and to hope in Thy mercy; to satisfy the divine justice for my many grievous sins, to assist the holy souls in purgatory, and to obtain the grace of a true conversion for all sinners. I desire, in fine, to do everything in union with that most pure intention which Jesus and Mary had during life, and the saints in heaven, and the just now on earth. Would that I could write down this intention with my own blood, and repeat it as often as there be moments in eternity! Accept, my God, my goodwill; grant me Thy holy blessing and efficacious grace never to commit a mortal sin throughout the course of my life, but particularly on this day, on which I desire and purpose to gain all the indulgences which it is possible for me to gain, and to be present in spirit at all the masses which will be celebrated to-day in the whole world, that I may apply them to the souls in purgatory, and free them from all pain. Amen.

21.

PRAYER, WITH EJACULATION.

i. 40 DAYS, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

PRAYER.

O Pater misericordiarum, fons omnis boni, te supplex exoro per sacratissimum tuique amantissimum cor Jesu dilectissimi Filii tui, Domini et Redemptoris nostri, in quo tibi semper bene complaces, dignare concedere mihi gratiam vivæ fidei, firmæ spei et ardentis charitatis erga te et proximum meum; insuper gratiam vere dolendi de omnibus peccatis meis una cum firmissimo proposito te in posterum nunquam offendendi; ut secundum divinum beneplacitum tuum semper vivere, voluntatem tuam sanctissimam corde magno et animo volenti in omnibus adimplere, et in amore tuo usque ad finem vitæ meæ perseverare valeam. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

O Father of mercies, and source of every good! I humbly beg Thee, through the most sacred and most loving heart of Jesus, Thy well-beloved Son, our Lord and Redeemer, in whom Thou art always well pleased, vouchsafe to grant me the grace of a lively faith, a firm hope and an ardent charity for Thee and for my neighbour. Grant me, besides, the grace of a true sorrow for all my sins, together with a most firm purpose of never offending Thee in the future, that I may always live according to Thy divine good pleasure, fulfil

Thy most holy will in all things with a generous and willing heart, and persevere in Thy love unto the end of my life. Amen.

AN EJACULATION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.

O beatissima Virgo Maria, Mater Domini et Redemptoris mei, te quæso, te precor, fac per misericordiam tuam ut in omnibus periculis et necessitatibus animæ meæ ad te confugiam, te orem, te invocem in auxilium mihi.

(*Translation.*)

O most blessed Virgin Mary, mother of my Lord and Redeemer! I entreat thee and beseech thee to effect by thy mercy that, in all the dangers and necessities of my soul, I may flee to thee, may pray to thee, and call upon thee for help.

22.

PRAYER OF ST. BONAVENTURE.

100 DAYS, once a day.

Domine sancte, Pater omnipotens, æterne Deus, propter tuam largitatem et Filii tui, qui pro me sustinuit passionem et mortem, et matris ejus excellentissimam sanctitatem, atque beati Francisci, et omnium sanctorum merita, concede mihi peccatori, et omni tuo beneficio indigno, ut te solum diligam, tuo amore semper sitiam, beneficium passionis continuo in corde habeam, meam miseriam recognoscam, et ab omnibus conculcari et contemni cupiam: nihil me contristet nisi culpa. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

O holy Lord, almighty Father, eternal God! through Thy liberality and that of Thy Son, who for me endured suffering and death, through the surpassing holiness of His Mother, and through the merits of blessed Francis, and of all the saints, grant me, a sinner, undeserving of all Thy benefits, that I may love Thee alone, and always thirst for Thy love; that I may constantly feel in my heart the benefit of Thy passion; that I may acknowledge my misery, and desire to be trampled upon and despised by all men; that nothing but sin may sadden my heart. Amen.

THE HOLY GHOST.

23.

THE HYMN, "VENI, CREATOR SPIRITUS;" OR THE SEQUENCE, "VENI, SANCTE SPIRITUS."

* i. 100 DAYS.
* ii. 300 DAYS, on Whit Sunday, and in its octave.
iii. PLENARY, once a month.

HYMN.

Veni, Creator Spiritus,
Mentes tuorum visita,
Imple superna gratia
Quæ tu creasti pectora.

Qui diceris Paraclitus,
Altissimi Donum Dei,
Fons vivus, Ignis, Charitas,
Et spiritalis Unctio.

Tu, septiformis munere,
Digitus Paternæ dexteræ,
Tu, rite promissum Patris,
Sermone ditans guttura.

Accende lumen sensibus,
Infunde amorem cordibus,
Infirma nostri corporis
Virtute firmans perpeti.

* To gain these, prayer for peace among Christian Princes, &c., is required.

Hostem repellas longius,
Pacemque dones protinus;
Ductore sic te prævio
Vitemus omne noxium.

Per te sciamus da Patrem,
Noscamus atque Filium,
Teque utriusque Spiritum
Credamus omni tempore.

Deo Patri sit gloria,
Et Filio, qui a mortuis
Surrexit, ac Paraclito,
In sæculorum sæcula. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Come, O Creator Spirit blest!
And in our souls take up Thy rest;
Come, with Thy grace and heavenly aid,
To fill the hearts which Thou hast made.

Great Paraclete! to Thee we cry:
O highest gift of God most high!
O fount of life! O fire of love!
And sweet Anointing from above!

Thou in Thy sevenfold gifts art known!
Thee, Finger of God's hand, we own;
The promise of the Father Thou!
Who dost the tongue with pow'r endow.

Kindle our senses from above,
And make our hearts o'erflow with love;

With patience firm, and virtue high,
The weakness of our flesh supply.

Far from us drive the foe we dread,
And grant us Thy true peace instead;
So shall we not, with Thee for guide,
Turn from the path of life aside.

O, may Thy grace on us bestow
The Father and the Son to know,
And Thee, through endless times confess'd
Of Both th' eternal Spirit blest.

All glory while the ages run
Be to the Father, and the Son
Who rose from death; the same to Thee,
O Holy Ghost, eternally.

SEQUENCE.

Veni, Sancte Spiritus, et emitte cœlitus lucis tuæ radium.
Veni, Pater pauperum; veni, dator munerum; veni, lumen cordium.
Consolator optime, dulcis hospes animæ, dulce refrigerium.
In labore requies, in æstu temperies, in fletu solatium.
O lux beatissima, reple cordis intima tuorum fidelium.
Sine tuo numine nihil est in homine, nihil est innoxium.
Lava quod est sordidum, riga quod est aridum, sana quod est saucium.

Flecte quod est rigidum, fove quod est frigidum,
rege quod est devium.
Da tuis fidelibus in te confidentibus sacrum septenarium.
Da virtutis meritum, da salutis exitum, da perenne
gaudium. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Holy Spirit! Lord of light!
From Thy clear celestial height,
Thy pure beaming radiance give:

Come, Thou Father of the poor!
Come, with treasures which endure!
Come, Thou Light of all that live!

Thou, of all consolers best,
Visiting the troubled breast,
Dost refreshing peace bestow;

Thou in toil art comfort sweet;
Pleasant coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal! Light Divine!
Visit Thou these hearts of Thine,
And our inmost being fill:

If Thou take Thy grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay;
All his good is turn'd to ill.

Heal our wounds—our strength renew;
On our dryness pour Thy dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on those who evermore
Thee confess and Thee adore,
In Thy sevenfold gifts, descend:

Give them comfort when they die;
Give them life with Thee on high;
Give them joys which never end.

JESUS.

24.

INVOCATION OF THE MOST HOLY NAMES OF JESUS AND MARY.

. 50 DAYS, every time any one says—

Laudetur Jesus Christus—Praised be Jesus Christ;

or answers—

In sæcula, amen—Praised for evermore.

ii. 25 DAYS, every time any one invokes the most holy Names of Jesus and Mary.

iii. PLENARY, in the hour of death, to every one who has had the devout practice of saluting and answering as above, or of invoking often the said most holy Names, provided that they then invoke these holy Names with at least a contrite heart, if they are unable to do so with their mouths.

iv. The same Indulgences to all who should exhort the faithful to salute each other in the above-named way, and to invoke frequently the most holy Names of Jesus and Mary.

v. 100 DAYS, every time any one says (especially for the benefit of the dying)—

My Jesus, Mercy!

25.

SALUTATION AND ANSWER.

Praised be Jesus and Mary—Now and for ever.

50 DAYS.

26.

HYMNS AND PSALMS IN HONOUR OF HIS MOST HOLY NAME.

To those who recite certain psalms whose initial letters compose the most holy name of Jesus, together with certain hymns and prayers, viz.—

i. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

iii. PLENARY, to any one who should say them frequently in the course of the year, on the Feast of the most holy Name of Jesus (the Second Sunday after Epiphany).

iv. PLENARY, on the Feast of the Circumcision of our Lord Jesus Christ, January 1, and the Feast of Jesus the Nazarene, October 23, for those who habitually say them for a month together.

THE HYMN AND PSALMS.

HYMN.

Jesu, dulcis memoria,
Dans vera cordi gaudia:
Sed super mel, et omnia,
Ejus dulcis præsentia.

Nil canitur suavius,
Nil auditur jucundius,
Nil cogitatur dulcius,
Quam Jesus, Dei Filius.

Jesu, spes pœnitentibus,
Quam pius es petentibus!
Quam bonus te quærentibus!
Sed quid invenientibus!

Nec lingua valet dicere,
Nec littera exprimere:
Expertus potest credere,
Quid sit Jesum diligere.

Sis, Jesu, nostrum gaudium,
Qui es futurum præmium!
Sit nostra in te gloria,
Per cuncta semper sæcula.
Amen.

J. *Ant.* In Nomine Jesu.

Ps. 99.

Jubilate Deo omnis terra: * servite Domino in lætitia.

Introite in conspectu ejus, * in exultatione.

Scitote, quoniam Dominus ipse est Deus: * ipse fecit nos, et non ipsi nos.

Populus ejus, et oves pascuæ ejus: * introite portas ejus in confessione, atria ejus in hymnis; confitemini illi.

Laudate nomen ejus, quoniam suavis est Dominus, in æternum misericordia ejus: * et usque in generationem et generationem veritas ejus.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, &c.

Ant. In Nomine Jesu omne genu flectatur cœlestium, terrestrium, et infernorum.

E. *Ant.* Ego autem.

Ps. 19.

Exaudiat te Dominus in die tribulationis: * protegat te nomen Dei Jacob.

Mittat tibi auxilium de sancto: * et de Sion tueatur te.

Memor sit omnis sacrificii tui: * et holocaustum tuum pingue fiat.

Tribuat tibi secundum cor tuum: * et omne consilium tuum confirmet.

Lætabimur in salutari tuo: * et in nomine Dei nostri magnificabimur.

Impleat Dominus omnes petitiones tuas: * nunc cognovi, quoniam salvum fecit Dominus Christum suum.

Exaudiet illum de cœlo sancto suo: * in potentatibus salus dexteræ ejus.

Hi in curribus, et hi in equis: * nos autem in nomine Domini Dei nostri invocabimus.

Ipsi obligati sunt, et ceciderunt: * nos autem surreximus, et erecti sumus.

Domine, salvum fac regem: * et exaudi nos in die, qua invocaverimus te.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Ant. Ego autem in Domino gaudebo, et exultabo in Deo Jesu meo.

S. *Ant.* Sanctum et terribile.

Ps. 11.

Salvum me fac, Domine, quoniam defecit sanctus, * quoniam diminutæ sunt veritates a filiis hominum.

Vana locuti sunt unusquisque ad proximum suum: * labia dolosa, in corde, et corde locuti sunt.

Disperdat Dominus universa labia dolosa, * et linguam magniloquam.

Qui dixerunt: linguam nostram magnificabimus, labia nostra a nobis sunt: * quis noster Dominus est?

Propter miseriam inopum, et gemitum pauperum, * nunc exurgam, dicit Dominus.

Ponam in salutari: * fiducialiter agam in eo.

Eloquia Domini eloquia casta, * argentum igne examinatum, probatum terræ, purgatum septuplum.

Tu, Domine, servabis nos, et custodies nos * a generatione hac in æternum.

In circuitu impii ambulant: * secundum altitudinem tuam multiplicasti filios hominum.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Ant. Sanctum, et terribile Nomen ejus: initium sapientiæ timor Domini.

U. *Ant.* Vocabis Nomen ejus Jesum.

Ps. 12.

Usquequo, Domine, oblivisceris me in finem? * usquequo avertis faciem tuam a me?

Quamdiu ponam consilia in anima mea, * dolorem in corde meo per diem?

Usquequo exaltabitur inimicus meus super me? * respice, et exaudi me, Domine Deus meus.

Illumina oculos meos, ne unquam obdormiam in morte; * nequando dicat inimicus meus: prevalui adversus eum.

Qui tribulant me, exultabunt, si motus fuero: * ego autem in misericordia tua speravi.

Exultabit cor meum in salutari tuo: cantabo Domino, qui bona tribuit mihi, * et psallam nomini Domini altissimi.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Ant. Vocabis Nomen ejus Jesum: Ipse enim salvum faciet populum suum a peccatis eorum.

S. *Ant.* Sitivit anima mea.

Ps. 128.

Sæpe expugnaverunt me a juventute mea: * dicat nunc Israel.

Sæpe expugnaverunt me a juventute mea: * etenim non potuerunt mihi.

Supra dorsum meum fabricaverunt peccatores: * prolongaverunt iniquitatem suam.

Dominus justus concidit cervices peccatorum: * confundantur, et convertantur retrorsum omnes, qui oderunt Sion.

Fiant sicut fœnum tectorum,* quod priusquam evellatur, exaruit.

De quo non implevit manum suam, qui metit, * et sinum suum, qui manipulos colligit.

Et non dixerunt, qui præteribant: Benedictio Domini super vos: * benediximus vobis in nomine Domini.

Gloria Patrí, &c.

Ant. Sitivit anima mea ad Nomen sanctum tuum, Domine.

HYMNUS.

Jesu, Rex admirabilis
Et triumphator nobilis,
Dulcedo ineffabilis,
Totus desiderabilis.

Quando cor nostrum visitas,
Tunc lucet ei veritas;
Mundi vilescit vanitas,
Et intus fervet charitas.

Jesu, dulcedo cordium,
Fons vivus, lumen mentium,
Excedens omne gaudium
Et omne desiderium.

Jesum omnes agnoscite,
Amorem ejus poscite;
Jesum ardenter quærite,
Quærendo inardescite.

Te nostra, Jesu, vox sonet,
Nostri te mores exprimant:
Te corda nostra diligant
Et nunc, et in perpetuum.
Amen.

V. Sit nomen Domini benedictum.
R. Ex hoc nunc, et usque in sæculum.

Oremus.

Deus, qui Unigenitum Filium tuum constituisti humani generis Salvatorem, et Jesum vocari jussisti: concede propitius: ut cujus sanctum Nomen veneramur in terris, ejus quoque aspectu perfruamur in cœlis. Per eumdem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

27.

ROSARY OF OUR LORD.

This Rosary is called the Chaplet of our Lord, because it is composed of the *Pater*, said 33 times in remembrance of the 33 years He lived on earth, and of the *Ave* five times in honour of His five most holy wounds; the first three of which are said, one at the beginning of each of the three divisions comprising the *Pater* said 10 times; of the two remaining one *Ave* is said before saying *Pater Noster* thrice in conclusion; and the other after saying them. This Rosary finishes with the *Credo* in honour of the holy Apostles.

i. 200 YEARS, every time, when said after confession, or at least with firm resolution to confess.

ii. 150 YEARS, to any one who after confession and communion carries about him one of these Rosaries, and says it every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and also on all festivals of obligation.

iii. PLENARY, once a year, to any one who has made a practice of saying it at least four times a week.

iv. PLENARY, once a month.

v. PLENARY, in the article of death, to any one who shall then invoke with his heart, if he cannot do so with his lips, the most Holy name of Jesus; provided he has said this Rosary once during his illness with the intention of gaining this Indulgence; in the event of his recovery, he may gain the 200 YEARS' INDULGENCE.

vi. 20 DAYS, to any one who shall carry about him one of these Rosaries, and invoke the adorable Name of Jesus after he has made an examination of conscience with contrition for his sins, and said thrice the *Pater* and thrice the *Ave* for the good estate of the Church.

vii. 20 YEARS, to any one who, having examined his conscience and confessed, shall, after his confession, pray to God for the advancement of the Catholic Faith, the extirpation of heresy, and the exhaltation of the Holy Church.

viii. 10 YEARS, to any one who, having about him this Rosary, shall say thrice the *Pater* and thrice the *Ave*, as often as he does any spiritual or temporal good work in honour of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Blessed Virgin Mary, or some saint, or for the good of his neighbour.

N.B.—Any one who keeps one of the said Rosaries about him, if he is wont to practise any exercise customary in any religious order, shall participate in all the good works which are done in that order; if he assist at Holy Mass he shall, by saying five times the *Pater* and five times the *Ave*, supply for every defect and distraction which has happened to him through inadvertence in the course of the Mass;

moreover, if on days of obligation he has been legitimately hindered from hearing Mass, he shall have the same merit as if he had assisted at it, provided he say five times the *Pater* and five times the *Ave* as above.

ix. 200 YEARS, to any one out of Rome keeping one of these Rosaries about him, who shall, on the days of the Stations at Rome, after confession and communion, visit some Church; if hindered from doing so, he may gain this Indulgence by saying this Rosary, the seven penitential Psalms, with the Litanies and Prayers. This Indulgence in Rome may be gained by any one who, being legitimately hindered from visiting the Church of the Station, shall say the Rosary and Psalms as above.

x. PLENARY, to any one who says this Rosary after confession and communion on any Friday in March.

N.B.—In order to gain the above-named Indulgences it is necessary that—

1. The Rosary be blessed by the Reverend Fathers of the Camaldolese order, either hermits or monks, or else by those who have apostolical authority to bless them. Once blessed, they cannot be sold, or lent to others for the purpose of communicating to them the Indulgences.

2. Every one saying this Rosary must, according to his capacity, meditate on the mysteries of the life of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is not necessary to recite the following reflections; they are only added to help any one who might wish to make use of them.

ROSARY OF OUR LORD.

Begin with an act of contrition.

First Decade.

The Archangel Gabriel makes known to Mary the Incarnation of the Divine Word in her pure womb.

Ave Maria.

1. The Son of God made man is born of Mary the Virgin in a stable.

Pater noster.

2. The Angels rejoice and sing *Gloria in excelsis Deo.*

Pater noster.

3. The shepherds hear the Angels' tidings, and come and adore Him.

Pater noster.

4. He is circumcised the eighth day, and called by the most holy Name of Jesus.

Pater noster.

5. Is adored by the Magi with offerings of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Pater noster.

6. Is presented in the Temple, and foretold to be the Saviour of the world.

Pater noster.

7. Flees from the persecution of Herod, and is carried into Egypt.

Pater noster.

8. Herod finds him not, and murders the Innocents.

Pater noster.

9. He is carried back by Joseph and His Mother into Nazareth, His home.

Pater noster.

10. Disputes in the Temple with the doctors, being twelve years old.

Pater noster.

Add Eternal rest, &c., *if said for the departed.*

Second Decade.

Jesus is most obedient to the Blessed Virgin His Mother, and to St. Joseph.

Ave Maria.

1. When thirty years old, He is baptised by John in the Jordan.

Pater noster.

2. Fasts forty days in the desert, and overcomes the tempter.

Pater noster.

3. Practises and preaches His own holy law, whereby is life eternal.

Pater noster.

4. Calls His disciples, who forthwith leave all and follow Him.

Pater noster.

5. Works His first miracle of changing water into wine.

Pater noster.

6. Heals the sick, makes the lame to walk, gives hearing to the deaf, sight to the blind, life to the dead.

Pater noster.

7. Converts sinful men and women, and pardons their sins.

Pater noster.

8. When the Jews persecute Him even unto death, He chastises them not, but sweetly chides them.

Pater noster.

9. Is transfigured on Mount Thabor, in the presence of Peter, James, and John.

Pater noster.

10. Enters triumphant into Jerusalem sitting on an ass's colt, and drives the profaners from the Temple.

Pater noster.

Eternal rest, &c., *as above.*

Third Decade.

Jesus takes leave of His most holy Mother before He goes to die for our salvation.

Ave Maria.

1. Celebrates the last Paschal Supper, washes the Apostles' feet.

Pater noster.

2. Institutes the most holy Sacrament of the Eucharist.

Pater noster.

3. Prays in the garden, sweats blood, and is comforted by an angel.

Pater noster.

4. Is betrayed by Judas with a kiss, is taken and bound by the officers of justice as a great malefactor.

Pater noster.

5. Is falsely accused, is buffeted and spit upon, and shamefully used before four tribunals.

Pater noster.

6. Looks tenderly on Peter after he had thrice denied Him, and converts him; whilst Judas despairs, hangs himself, and is lost.

Pater noster.

7. Is cruelly scourged at the pillar, and receives innumerable blows.

Pater noster.

8. Is crowned with thorns, shown to the people, who cry, Crucify Him! Crucify Him!

Pater noster.

9. Is condemned to die, carries the heavy cross with greivous pain upon His shoulders to Mount Calvary.

Pater noster.

10. Is crucified between two thieves, dies after three hours' most painful agony, is wounded in the side with a lance, and is buried.

Pater noster.

Eternal rest, &c., *as above.*

Jesus rises the third day, and visits first of all Mary, His most holy mother.

Ave Maria.

1. Appears to the three Marys, and bids them tell the disciples they have seen Him risen from the dead.

Pater noster.

2. Appears to the disciples, shows them His most holy Wounds, makes Thomas touch them.

Pater noster.

3. The fortieth day after His resurrection, blesses most holy Mary His Mother and all His disciples; then ascends into heaven.

Pater noster.

Let us pray to the most holy Virgin to obtain for us also the blessing of her divine Son Jesus Christ, now and at the hour of our death.

Ave Maria.

Eternal rest, &c., *as above.*

Then say the Credo in honour of the holy Apostles.

End with the prayer said to be St. Augustine's.

Oremus.

Deus, qui pro redemptione mundi voluisti nasci, circumcidi, a Judæis reprobari, a Juda traditore osculo tradi, vinculis alligari, sicut agnus innocens ad victimam duci, atque conspectibus Annæ, Caiphæ, Pilati et Herodis indecenter offerri, a falsis testibus accusari, flagellis et opprobriis vexari, sputis conspui, spinis coronari, colaphis cædi, arundine percuti, facie velari, vestibus exui, cruci clavibus affigi, in cruce levari, inter latrones deputari, felle et aceto potari, et lancea vulnerari: Tu, Domine, per has sanctissimas pœnas tuas, quas ego indignus recolo, et per sanctam crucem et mortem tuam, libera me (*et hunc famulum tuum N. agonizantem*) a pœnis inferni, et perducere digneris, quo perduxisti

latronem tecum crucifixum; qui cum Patre et Spiritu Sancto vivis et regnas Deus per omnia sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Let us pray.

O God, who to redeem the world and to free us from the pains of hell, didst vouchsafe to be born amongst men, subject to pain and to death, to be circumcised, rejected, and persecuted by the Jews, betrayed by Thy disciple Judas with a sacrilegious kiss, and as a lamb, gentle and innocent, to be bound with cords, and dragged in scorn before the tribunals of Annas, Caiphas, Pilate, and Herod; who didst suffer Thyself to be accused by false witnesses, torn by scourges, crowned with thorns, smitten with blows, insulted with spittings, to have Thy divine countenance covered out of contempt, to be many ways set at naught and outraged, to be filled with reproaches and ignominies, and, last of all, to be stripped of Thy clothes, nailed to and raised high upon a cross between two thieves, to be drenched with gall and vinegar, and then pierced with a lance, and so to fulfil the mighty work of our redemption; Saviour most tender, by these Thy many cruel sufferings borne by Thee out of Thy love for me, which I, unworthy as I am, yet dare to contemplate, by Thy holy cross and by Thy bitter death, free me (and this Thy servant N.*) from the pains of hell; and vouchsafe to bring me to Paradise, whither Thou didst

* If said for a soul in its agony.

lead the penitent thief who was crucified with Thee, my Jesus, who, with the Father and with the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest God for ever and ever. Amen.

N.B.—i. 100 DAYS, once a day, for saying this Prayer once, with the *Pater*, *Ave*, and *Gloria* five times.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

28.

THREE EJACULATIONS TO OBTAIN A HAPPY DEATH.

300 DAYS.

Jesus, Mary, Joseph, I give you my heart and my soul.

Jesus, Mary, Joseph, assist me in my last agony.

Jesus, Mary, Joseph, may I breathe forth my soul in peace with you.

100 DAYS, for saying one of the above.

29.

DULCISSIME JESU.

(*St. Jerome Emilian.*)

i. 50 DAYS.

ii. PLENARY, to any one who says it at least once a day for a year, to be gained once only, on the feast of the saint, July 20, or during its octave.

Dulcissime Jesu, ne sis mihi Judex, sed Salvator.

My sweetest Jesus, be not to me Judge, but Saviour.

30.

"JESUS, DEUS MEUS," ETC.

50 DAYS, to all those who say the following ejaculation, or who shall exhort others to say it, for the good of those who have the care of souls, or who labour for the salvation and sanctification of souls, with feelings of compunction for sin and gratitude to God.

EJACULATION.

Jesus, Deus meus, super omnia amo te.
Jesus, my God, I love Thee above all things.

31.

"O JESU, VIVENS IN MARIA," ETC.

300 DAYS, once a day.

PRAYER.

O Jesu, vivens in Maria, veni et vive in famulis tuis, in Spiritu sanctitatis tuæ, in plenitudine virtutis tuæ, in veritate virtutum tuarum, in perfectione viarum tuarum, in communione Mysteriorum tuorum, dominare omni adversæ potestati in Spiritu tuo ad gloriam Patris. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

O Jesus, who dost live in Mary, come and live in Thy servants, in the spirit of Thine own holiness, in the fulness of Thy power, in the reality of Thy virtues, in the perfection of Thy ways, in the communion of Thy Mysteries; have Thou dominion over every adverse power, in Thine own Spirit, to the glory of Thy Father. Amen.

32.

PRAYER TO THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS.

100 DAYS, once a day.

PRAYER.

O bone Jesu! O piissime Jesu! O dulcissime Jesu! O Jesu, Fili Mariæ Virginis, plene misericordia et pietate! O dulcis Jesu, secundum magnam misericordiam tuam miserere mei! O clementissime Jesu! Te deprecor per illum Sanguinem pretiosum quem pro peccatoribus effundere voluisti, ut abluas omnes iniquitates meas, et in me respicias miserum et indignum humiliter veniam petentem et hoc Nomen sanctum Jesu invocantem. O Nomen Jesu, Nomen dulce! Nomen Jesu, Nomen delectabile! Nomen Jesu, Nomen confortans! Quid est enim Jesus nisi Salvator? Ergo, Jesu, propter Nomen sanctum tuum, esto mihi Jesus, et salva me. Ne permittas me damnari, quem tu de nihilo creasti. O bone Jesu, ne perdat me iniquitas mea, quem fecit omnipotens bonitas tua! O dulcis Jesu, recognosce quod tuum est, et absterge quod alienum est. O benignissime Jesu, miserere mei, dum tempus est miserendi, ne damnes me in tempore judicandi. Non mortui laudabunt te, Domine Jesu, neque omnes qui descendunt in infernum. O amantissime Jesu! O desideratissime Jesu! O mitissime Jesu! O Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, admitte me intrare in numerum electorum tuorum. O Jesu, salus in te credentium; O Jesu, solatium ad te confugientium; O Jesu, Fili Mariæ Virginis, infunde

in me gratiam, sapientiam, charitatem, castitatem, et humilitatem, ut possim te perfecte diligere, te laudare, te perfrui, tibi servire, et in te gloriari, et omnes qui invocant Nomen tuum, quod est Jesus. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

O good Jesu! O most tender Jesu! O most sweet Jesu! O Jesus, Son of Mary the Virgin, full of mercy and kindness! O sweet Jesu, according to Thy great mercy, have pity on me! O most merciful Jesu, I entreat Thee by that precious Blood of Thine, which Thou didst will to pour forth for sinners, to wash away all my iniquities, and to look upon me, poor and unworthy as I am, asking humbly pardon of Thee, and invoking this holy Name of Jesus. O Name of Jesus, sweet Name! Name of Jesus, Name of joy! Name of Jesus, Name of strength! Nay, what meaneth the Name of Jesus but Saviour? Wherefore, O Jesus, by Thine own holy Name, be to me Jesus, and save me. Suffer me not to be lost—me, whom Thou didst create out of nothing. O good Jesu, let not my iniquity destroy what Thy almighty goodness made. O sweet Jesu, recognise what is Thine own, and wipe away from me what is not of Thee! O most kind Jesu, have pity on me while it is the time of pity, and condemn me not when it is the time of judgment. The dead shall not praise Thee, Lord Jesu, nor all those who go down into hell. O most loving Jesu! O Jesu, most longed for by Thine own! O most gentle Jesu! Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, let me enter into the number of Thine

elect. O Jesu, salvation of those who believe in Thee; Jesu, consolation of those who fly to Thee. Jesu, Son of Mary the Virgin, pour into me grace, wisdom, charity, chastity, and humility, that I may be able perfectly to love Thee, to praise Thee, to enjoy Thee, to serve Thee, and make my boast in Thee, together with all those who invoke Thy Name, which is Jesus. Amen.

33.

PRAYER TO BE SAID FOR THE COMFORT OF THE SICK.

300 DAYS, once a day.

Divine Jesu, Fili Dei incarnate, qui pro nostra salute in stabulo nasci, vitam in paupertate, ærumnis et miseria degere, et in crucis doloribus mori dignatus es, divino tuo Patri dic, quæso, in momento mortis meæ: *Pater ignosce ei;* dic matri tuæ dilectæ: *Ecce filius tuus;* dic animæ meæ: *Hodie eris mecum in Paradiso.* Deus meus, Deus meus, ne derelinquas me in illa hora. *Sitio:* utique, Deus meus, anima mea sitit ad te, qui es fons aquarum viventium. Vita mea præterit velut umbra; adhuc modicum et consummata erunt omnia. Quapropter, O Salvator mi adorabilis, ex hoc momento in omnem æternitatem, *in manus tuas commendo spiritum meum.* Domine Jesu, accipe animam meam. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Divine Jesus, incarnate Son of God, who for our salvation didst vouchsafe to be born in a stable, to pass Thy life in poverty, trials, and misery, and to die amid the sufferings of the cross, I entreat

Thee, say to Thy divine Father at the hour of my death: *Father, forgive him;* say to Thy beloved Mother: *Behold thy son;* say to my soul: *This day thou shalt be with me in paradise.* My God, my God, forsake me not in that hour. *I thirst:* yes, my God, my soul thirsts after Thee, who art the fountain of living waters. My life passes like a shadow; yet a little while, and all will be consummated. Wherefore, O my adorable Saviour! from this moment, for all eternity, *into Thy hands I commend my spirit.* Lord Jesus, receive my soul. Amen.

34.

PRAYER.

100 DAYS, once a day.

O clementissime Jesu, salus, vita, resurrectio nostra tu solus es. Te ergo quæsumus ne derelinquas nos in angustiis et perturbationibus nostris, sed per agoniam cordis tui sanctissimi et per dolores matris tuae immaculatæ tuis famulis subveni, quos pretioso sanguine redemisti.

(*Translation.*)

O most compassionate Jesus! Thou alone art our salvation, our life, and our resurrection. We implore Thee, therefore, do not forsake us in our needs and afflictions, but by the agony of Thy most sacred heart, and by the sorrows of Thy immaculate Mother, succour Thy servants whom Thou hast redeemed by Thy most precious blood.

THE CHILD JESUS.

35.

NOVENA PREPARATORY TO CHRISTMAS DAY.

i. 300 DAYS, each day of the Novena.

ii. PLENARY, for making the Novena complete, on Christmas day, or within the octave, or during the Novena.

N.B.—This Novena may be made once more during the year at any time.

36.

NOVENA IN PREPARATION FOR THE TWENTY-FIFTH DAY OF EVERY MONTH.

ONE YEAR, for each day of this Novena, whether completed or not, made either in public or private, nine days previous to the 25th day of any month.

Novena to be begun on the 16th day of the month.

First Offering. Eternal Father, I offer to Thy honour and glory, and for my own salvation, and for the salvation of all the world, the mystery of the Birth of our Divine Saviour.

Gloria.

Second Offering. Eternal Father, I offer to Thy honour and glory, and for my eternal salvation, the sufferings of the most holy Virgin and of St. Joseph in that long and weary journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem; I offer Thee their pain in finding no place wherein to shelter themselves, when the Saviour of the world was to be born.

Gloria.

Third Offering. Eternal Father, I offer to Thy honour and glory, and for my eternal salvation, the stable where Jesus was born, the hard straw

which served him for a bed, the cold He suffered, the swaddling-clothes which bound Him, the tears He shed, and His tender infant cries.

Gloria.

Fourth Offering. Eternal Father, I offer to Thy honour and glory, and for my eternal salvation, the pain which the holy Child Jesus felt in His tender infant body when He submitted it to the keen knife of circumcision; I offer Thee that Precious Blood which then first He shed for the salvation of the whole race of man.

Gloria.

Fifth Offering. Eternal Father, I offer to Thy honour and glory, and for my eternal salvation, the humility, mortification, patience, charity, and all the virtues of the Child Jesus; I thank Thee, and I love Thee, and I bless Thee without end, for this ineffable mystery of the Incarnation of the Divine Word.

Gloria.

V. Verbum caro factum est.
R. Et habitavit in nobis.

Oremus.

Deus, cujus Unigenitus in substantia nostræ carnis apparuit; præsta, quæsumus, ut per eum, quem similem nobis foris agnovimus, intus reformari mereamur. Qui tecum vivit et regnat in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

V. The Word was made flesh.
R. And dwelt amongst us.

Let us pray.

O God, whose only-begotten Son was made manifest to us in the substance of our flesh; grant, we beseech Thee, that through Him our souls may be inwardly renewed, whom our eyes have seen externally like unto ourselves. Who liveth and reigneth with Thee for ever and ever. Amen.

37.

FOR ASSISTING AT OR SAYING THE DIVINE OFFICE ON CHRISTMAS DAY.

i. 100 YEARS, to all who say the Divine Office on that day, or assist in person in any church where Matins and Lauds are said.

ii. 100 YEARS, for the Mass, and the same for first and second Vespers.

iii. 40 YEARS, for each of the hours of Prime, Tierce, Sext, None, and Compline.

38.

MYSTERIES OF THE HOLY CHILDHOOD.

i. PLENARY, on the 25th of every month to all those who shall be present in any church or public oratory at the devotion in honour of the Child Jesus, and shall say the following prayers, revised and approved by the S. Congr. of Rites.

ii. 300 DAYS, once a day, to those who use this devotion in private.

THE MYSTERIES.

V. Deus, in adjutorium meum intende.

R. Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina.

V. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.

R. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc et semper, et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

Pater.

i. Jesu, Infans dulcissime, e sinu Patris propter nostram salutem descendens, de Spiritu Sancto conceptus, Virginis uterum non horrens, et Verbum caro factum formam servi accipiens, miserere nostri.

R. Miserere nostri, Jesu Infans, miserere nostri.

Ave.

ii. Jesu, Infans dulcissime, per Virginem Matrem tuam visitans Elisabeth, Joannem Baptistam præcursorem tuum Spiritu Sancto replens, et adhuc in utero Matris suæ sanctificans, miserere nostri.

R. Miserere, &c.

Ave.

iii. Jesu, Infans dulcissime, novem mensibus in utero clausus, summis votis a Maria Virgine, et a Sancto Joseph expectatus, et Deo Patri pro salute mundi oblatus, miserere nostri.

R. Miserere, &c.

Ave.

iv. Jesu, Infans dulcissime, in Bethlehem ex Virgine Maria natus, pannis involutus, in præsepio reclinatus, ab Angelis annuntiatus, et a Pastoribus visitatus, miserere nostri.

R. Miserere, &c.

Ave.

Jesu, tibi sit gloria,
Qui natus es de Virgine,
Cum Patre et almo Spiritu,
In sempiterna sæcula. Amen.

V. Christus prope est nobis.
R. Venite, adoremus.

Pater.

v. Jesu, Infans dulcissime, in circumcisione post dies octo vulneratus, glorioso Jesu nomine vocatus, et in nomine simul et sanguine Salvatoris officio præsignatus, miserere nostri.
R. Miserere, &c.

Ave.

vi. Jesu, Infans dulcissime, stella duce tribus Magis demonstratus, in sinu Matris adoratus, et mysticis muneribus auro, thure et myrrha donatus, miserere nostri.
R. Miserere, &c.

Ave.

vii. Jesu, Infans dulcissime, in Templo a Matre Virgine præsentatus, inter brachia a Simeone amplexatus, et ab Anna prophetissa Israeli revelatus, miserere nostri.
R. Miserere, &c.

Ave.

viii. Jesu, Infans dulcissime, ab iniquo Herode ad mortem quæsitus, a Sancto Joseph in Ægyptum cum Matre deportatus, a crudeli cæde sublatus, et a præconiis martyrum innocentium glorificatus, miserere nostri.
R. Miserere, &c.

Ave.

Jesu, tibi sit gloria, &c.
V. Christus, &c.

Pater.

ix. Jesu, Infans dulcissime, in Ægypto cum Maria sanctissima, et patriarcha Sancto Joseph usque ad obitum Herodis commoratus, miserere nostri.

R. Miserere, &c.

Ave.

x. Jesu, Infans dulcissime, ex Ægypto cum parentibus in terram Israel reversus, multos labores in itinere perpessus, et in civitatem Nazareth ingressus, miserere nostri.

R. Miserere, &c.

Ave.

xi. Jesu, Infans dulcissime, in sancta Nazarena domo subditus parentibus sanctissime commoratus, paupertate et laboribus fatigatus, in sapientiæ, ætatis, et gratiæ profectu confortatus, miserere nostri.

R. Miserere, &c.

Ave.

xii. Jesu, Infans dulcissime, in Jerusalem duodennis ductus, a parentibus cum dolore quæsitus, et post triduum cum gaudio inter doctores inventus, miserere nostri.

R. Miserere, &c.

Ave.

Jesu, tibi sit gloria, &c.

For the Nativity and its Octave.

V. Verbum caro factum est. Alleluia.

R. Et habitavit in nobis. Alleluia.

Throughout the rest of the year the Alleluia *is omitted.*

For the Epiphany and its Octave.

V. Christus manifestavit se nobis. Alleluia.
R. Venite, adoremus. Alleluia.

Oremus.

Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, Domine cæli et terræ, qui te revelas parvulis, concede, quæsumus: ut nos sacrosancta Filii tui Infantis Jesu mysteria digno honore recolentes, ac digna imitatione sectantes, ad regnum cœlorum promissum parvulis pervenire valeamus. Per eumdem, &c. *R.* Amen.

THE MYSTERIES.

V. Incline unto my aid, O God.
R. O Lord make haste to help me.
V. Glory be to the Father, &c.

Pater noster.

The Incarnation.

i. Jesu, sweetest child, who didst come down from the bosom of the Father for our salvation, who wast conceived by the Holy Ghost, who didst not abhor the Virgin's womb, and, the Word made flesh, didst take upon Thee the form of a servant; have mercy upon us.

R. Have mercy on us, Infant Jesus, have mercy on us.

Ave.

The Visitation.

ii. Jesu, sweetest Child, who, through Thy Virgin Mother, didst visit Saint Elisabeth, and fill

Thy forerunner the holy Baptist with the Holy Ghost, sanctifying him whilst yet in his mother's womb; have mercy upon us.

R. Have mercy, &c.

Ave.

iii. Jesu, sweetest Child, who, shut up for nine months in Thy Mother's womb, wast looked for with eager expectation by Mary and by Joseph, and wast offered to God the Father for the salvation of the world; have mercy upon us.

R. Have mercy, &c.

Ave.

The Birth.

iv. Jesu, sweetest Child, born in Bethlehem of Mary ever Virgin, swathed in rags, laid in the manger, announced by angels, visited by shepherds; have mercy upon us.

R. Have mercy, &c.

Ave.

O Jesu, born of Virgin bright,
Immortal glory be to Thee;
Praise to the Father Infinite,
And holy Ghost eternally.

V. Christ is at hand.

R. Come, let us worship.

Pater noster.

The Circumcision.

v. Jesu, sweetest Child, wounded in thy circumcision the eighth day, called by the glorious

Name of Jesus, and at once by Thy Name and Thy Blood foreshown as the Saviour of the world; have mercy upon us.

R. Have mercy, &c.

Ave.

The Adoration of the Magi.

vi. Jesu, sweetest Child, made known to the three Magi by a star, adored in the arms of Thy Mother, presented with the mystic gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh; have mercy upon us.

R. Have mercy, &c.

Ave.

The Presentation.

vii. Jesu, sweetest Child, who wast presented in the Temple by Thy Virgin Mother, who wast embraced by Simeon, and revealed to Israel by Anna the prophetess; have mercy upon us.

R. Have mercy, &c.

Ave.

The Flight into Egypt.

viii. Jesu, sweetest Child, whom wicked Herod sought to slay, whom Joseph carried with Mary into Egypt, who wast taken from a cruel death and wast glorified by the blood of innocents; have mercy upon us.

R. Have mercy, &c.

Ave.

O Jesu, &c., *as above.* V. *and* R. *as above.* Pater noster, &c.

The Sojourn in Egypt.

ix. Jesu, sweetest Child, who didst dwell in Egypt with most holy Mary and the Patriarch holy Joseph until the death of Herod; have mercy upon us.

R. Have mercy, &c.

Ave.

The Return out of Egypt.

x. Jesu, sweetest Child, who, after Herod's death, didst return out of Egypt into the land of Israel, who didst suffer many toils by the way, and didst enter into the city of Nazareth; have mercy upon us.

R. Have mercy, &c.

Ave.

Holy Life.

xi. Jesu, sweetest Child, who in the holy house at Nazareth, subject to Thy parents, didst dwell most holily, wast wearied by poverty and labours, and didst advance in wisdom, age, and grace; have mercy upon us.

R. Have mercy, &c.

Ave.

Disputation with the Doctors.

xii. Jesu, sweetest Child, at twelve years old brought to Jerusalem, sought for by Thy parents

with sorrow, and found with joy after three days amongst the doctors; have mercy upon us.

R. Have mercy, &c.

Ave.

O Jesu, &c., *as above.*

For Christmas Day and its Octave.

V. The Word was made flesh. Alleluia.

R. And dwelt among us. Alleluia.

The Alleluia *is omitted during the rest of the year.*

For the Epiphany and its Octave.

V. Christ hath manifested himself to us. Alleluia.

R. Come, let us adore. Alleluia.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, Lord of heaven and earth, who dost reveal Thyself to little ones; grant, we beseech Thee, that we, duly honouring the holy mysteries of Thy Son the Infant Jesus, and daily imitating Him in our lives, may come to the kingdom of heaven promised by Thee to little children. Through the same Jesus Christ, &c. *R.* Amen.

39.

PRAYER BEFORE THE HOLY CRIB, WHICH IS VENERATED IN THE LIBERIAN BASILICA (ST. MARY MAJOR), "I ADORE THEE, O WORD INCARNATE," ETC.

200 DAYS, to any one who says the prayer in the Basilica of St. Mary Major, once a day.

100 DAYS, to those who say it anywhere else, once a day.

THE PRAYER.

I adore Thee, O Word Incarnate, true Son of God from all eternity, and true Son of Mary ever Virgin in the fulness of time. When I adore Thy Divine Person, and the Humanity united to Thy Divinity, I venerate the poor manger which welcomed Thee when an Infant, and which was truly the throne of Thy love. I prostrate myself before it with the simplicity of the shepherds, with the faith of Joseph, with the love of Mary! I bow down in veneration of this precious memorial of our salvation with the same spirit of mortification, poverty, and humility with which Thou, though the Lord of heaven and earth, didst choose for Thyself a manger wherein to lay Thy tender infant limbs. And Thou, O Lord, who in Thine Infancy didst deign to lay Thyself in this manger, vouchsafe also to pour into my heart a drop of that joy to which the sight of Thy lovely Childhood, and the miracles which accompanied Thy Birth, gave rise. By that holy Birth, I now implore Thee to grant to all the world peace and goodwill, and in the name of the whole human race I render thanks and honour to God the Father, and to God the Holy Spirit, who with Thee live and reign one God world without end. Amen.

JESUS CRUCIFIED.

40.

VISIT TO THE "SCALA SANTA" (THE SACRED STAIRS).

NINE YEARS, for each of the twenty-eight steps of the *Scala Santa* at Rome, to all the faithful, every time they ascend them with a contrite heart and on their knees, praying and meditating on the Passion of their Lord.

The same Indulgence for mounting on the knees the two stairs on each side of the *Scala Santa*, on All Saints Day, on All Souls Day and its Octave, on any day from Christmas to the Octave of the Epiphany inclusive, and any day in Lent, provided the person so ascending meditates on the Passion of our Lord.

41.

VISIT TO THE "VIA CRUCIS," OR WAY OF THE CROSS.

Those who perform devoutly the *Via Crucis* may gain all the Indulgences which have ever been granted by Popes to the faithful who visit in person the sacred places in Jerusalem.* All, however, who wish to gain these Indulgences by means of this devotion, must bear in mind that it is indispensably required of them to meditate, according to their abilities, on the Passion of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and to go from one station to the other so far as the number of persons engaged in the devotion, and the space where the fourteen stations are erected, will admit, and this is all that is required for the Indulgences.

Those who are sick, in prison, or at sea, or *in partibus infidelium*, or who are prevented in any other way from visiting the stations of the *Via Crucis* erected in churches or public oratories, may gain the said Indulgences by reciting fourteen times *Pater noster* and *Ave Maria*, and at the end of these *Pater noster* and *Ave Maria* and *Gloria Patri* five times, and one *Pater*, *Ave*, and *Gloria* besides, for the

* N.B.—It is not permitted to specify definitely what these Indulgences are.

Pope, "holding in their hands the while a crucifix" blessed by the Father-General of the order of the Friars Minor Observants at the Convent of Ara Cœli, or else by the Father-Provincial or any Father-Guardian, subject of the said Father-General. These crucifixes, so indulgenced, after they have been blessed, cannot be sold or given away or lent for the purpose of enabling others to gain the Indulgences of the *Via Crucis*.

DEVOTIONS WHICH MAY BE USED FOR THE "VIA CRUCIS."

[*The pious reader may use any other devotions which are more to his mind.*]

Begin with an act of contrition.

STATION I.

Jesus condemned to death.

V. Adoramus te, Christe, et benedicimus tibi.
R. Quia per sanctam Crucem tuam redemisti mundum.

My Jesus, oft have I signed Thy death-warrant by my sins; save me by Thy death from that death eternal I deserve.

Pater, Ave.

V. Miserere nostri, Domine.
R. Miserere nostri.

Passing on from one station to another, say,

Holy Mother, pierce me through,
In my heart each wound renew
Of my Saviour crucified.

STATION II.

Jesus receives His cross.

V. Adoramus, &c.

My Jesus, who by Thine own will didst take on Thee the cross which I made for Thee by my sins; oh, make me know the weight of them, and sorrow for them ever while I live.

Pater, Ave. V. *Miserere.*

STATION III.

Jesus falls the first time beneath the cross.

V. Adoramus, &c.

My Jesus, the heavy burden of my sins has made Thee fall down beneath the cross. My Jesus, I loathe them, I detest them, I beseech Thee to pardon them; aided by Thy grace, I will never commit them more.

Pater, Ave. V. *Miserere.*

STATION IV.

Jesus meets His Mother.

V. Adoramus, &c.

Jesus most suffering! Mary, Mother most sorrowful! if for the past by sin I have caused you pain and sorrow, yet by divine grace it shall be so no more, but I will love you faithfully until death.

Pater, Ave. V. *Miserere.*

STATION V.

Simon of Cyrene helps Jesus to carry the cross.

V. Adoramus, &c.

My Jesus, happy was that man of Cyrene who aided Thee to bear the cross. Happy shall I be if I too aid Thee to bear the cross, by suffering with patience and goodwill the crosses Thou shalt send me during life. My Jesus, give me grace to do so.

Pater, Ave. V. *Miserere.*

STATION VI.

Jesus and Veronica.

V. Adoramus, &c.

Jesus most compassionate, who didst deign to print Thy sacred countenance upon the cloth with which Veronica wiped the sweat from off Thy brows; print in my soul deep, I pray Thee, the lasting memory of Thy most bitter pains.

Pater, Ave. V. *Miserere.*

STATION VII.

Jesus falls a second time.

V. Adoramus, &c.

My Jesus, oft have I sinned, and by sin often made Thee fall beneath the cross. Help me to use such efficacious means of grace that I may never fall again into sin.

Pater, Ave. V. *Miserere.*

STATION VIII.

Jesus comforts the women of Jerusalem.

V. Adoramus, &c.

My Jesus, who didst comfort the pious women of Jerusalem who wept to see Thee so tormented; comfort my soul with Thy mercy, for in Thy mercy alone is my sole trust! oh, may I never frustrate it!

Pater, Ave. V. *Miserere.*

STATION IX.

Again a third time Jesus falls.

V. Adoramus, &c.

My Jesus, by all the bitter woe Thou didst endure when a third time Thou didst fall beneath the heavy cross, oh, never, never let me fall away; but rather let me die than ever mortally sin again!

Pater, Ave. V. *Miserere.*

STATION X.

Jesus stripped and drenched with gall.

V. Adoramus, &c.

My Jesus, who wast stripped of Thy clothes and drenched with gall, strip me of love for things of earth, and make me loathe all that savours of the world and sin.

Pater, Ave. V. *Miserere.*

STATION XI.

Jesus nailed to the cross.

V. Adoramus, &c.

My Jesus, by those agonising pains Thou didst endure when the hard nails pierced Thy tender hands and feet and fixed them to the cross, oh, make me ever crucify my flesh with the spirit of true Christian penance.

Pater, Ave. V. *Miserere.*

STATION XII.

Jesus dies upon the cross.

V. Adoramus, &c.

My Jesus, three hours didst Thou hang in agony upon the cross, and then didst die for me; let me die before I sin again, and if I live, may I live to love Thee and to serve Thee faithfully.

Pater, Ave. V. *Miserere.*

STATION XIII.

Jesus taken from the cross and laid in Mary's bosom.

V. Adoramus, &c.

Mary, Mother most sorrowful, the sword of grief went through thy soul when thou didst see thy dear Son Jesus lying lifeless in thy bosom; ask for me hatred of sin, which was the cause of His death and made thee suffer so much; and then

obtain for me grace to live a true Christian life, and save my soul.

Pater, Ave. V. *Miserere.*

STATION XIV.

Jesus laid in the tomb.

V. Adoramus, &c.

My Jesus, beside Thee in the tomb I desire that I may ever remain as one dead; and if I live, I wish to live only to Thee, that so one day I may come with Thee to taste of the bliss of heaven, fruit of Thy Passion and most painful death. Amen.

Pater, Ave. V. *Miserere.*

Oremus.

Deus, qui Unigeniti Filii tui pretioso sanguine vivificæ crucis vexillum sanctificare voluisti; concede, quæsumus, eos, qui ejusdem sanctæ crucis gaudent honore, tua quoque ubique protectione gaudere. Per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum. *R.* Amen.

Let us pray.

God, who by the precious Blood of Thy only-begotten Son didst sanctify the standard of the cross; grant, we beseech Thee, that all those who rejoice in the glory of the same Holy Cross may at all times and places feel the gladness of Thy protection. Through the same Christ our Lord. *R.* Amen.

End with one Pater, Ave, *and* Gloria *for the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff.*

42.

PATER NOSTER AND AVE MARIA FIVE TIMES ON FRIDAYS AT THREE O'CLOCK, ETC.

100 DAYS, to every one of the faithful who, when the bell of any Church rings at Three in the afternoon, kneels down and says five times *Pater noster* and *Ave Maria*, in memory of the Passion and Agony of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and with the intention of praying for peace and union among Christian princes, &c.

43.

DEVOTION IN MEMORY OF THE AGONY OF JESUS.

300 DAYS.

THE DEVOTION.

V. Deus, in adjutorium meum intende.
R. Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina.
V. Gloria Patri, &c.

WORDS OF JESUS ON THE CROSS.

FIRST WORD.

Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.

V. Adoramus te, Christe, et benedicimus tibi.
R. Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemisti mundum.

Jesus, my love! who for love of me dost hang in agony upon the cross, there by Thy pains to pay the penalty of my sins, and dost open Thy divine mouth to obtain for me the pardon of them from

Eternal Justice; O Jesus, pity all the faithful who are now in their last agony, and pity me when I too shall be in mine. By the merits of Thy most Precious Blood shed for our salvation, vouchsafe unto us all such lively sorrow for our sins that at our death we may breathe forth our souls into the bosom of Thy infinite mercy.

Gloria Patri *thrice.*

Miserere nostri, Domine, miserere nostri.

My God, I believe in Thee, I hope in Thee, I love Thee. I repent of my sins, because by them I have offended Thee.

SECOND WORD.

This day shalt thou be with Me in Paradise.

V. Adoramus te, &c.

Jesus, my love! who for love of me dost hang in agony upon the cross, and with such readiness and bounty dost meet the faith of the good thief, who in Thy humiliations acknowledges Thee to be the Son of God, and dost assure unto him the Paradise prepared for him; oh, pity all the faithful who are in their last agony, and pity me when I too shall be in mine. By the merit of Thy most Precious Blood, wake up in our souls such firm and steadfast faith as shall never waver at any suggestion of the evil one; that so we also may obtain the prize of holy paradise.

Gloria Patri *thrice.*

Miserere, &c.

My God, I believe in Thee, I hope in Thee, I love Thee. I repent of my sins, because by them I have offended Thee.

THIRD WORD.

Behold thy Mother! Behold thy Son.

V. Adoramus, &c.

Jesus, my love! who for love of me dost hang in agony upon the cross, and, unmindful of Thine own sorrows, dost leave us Thy own most holy Mother as the pledge of Thy love, that through her intercession we might seek Thee with confidence in our greatest straits; have pity on all the faithful who are in their last agony, and pity me when I too shall be in mine. By the inward martyrdom of Thy dear Mother, quicken in our hearts a firm hope in the infinite merits of Thine own most Precious Blood, that so we may escape the sentence of eternal death, which we have merited by our sins.

Gloria Patri *thrice.*

V. Miserere, &c.

My God, I believe in Thee, I hope in Thee, I love Thee. I repent of my sins, because by them I have offended Thee.

FOURTH WORD.

My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?

V. Adoramus, &c.

Jesus, my love! who for love of me dost hang

in agony upon the cross, and, whilst suffering after suffering is heaped upon Thee, with all Thy bodily pain dost bear with infinite patience the most afflicting desolation of spirit, being forsaken by Thine Eternal Father; pity all the faithful who are in their last agony, and pity me when I too shall be in mine. By the merits of Thy most Precious Blood, grant us all Thy grace, that we may suffer with patience the pain and anguish of our last agony, and so, joining our pains with Thine, be made partakers of Thy glory in Paradise.

Gloria Patri *thrice.*

V. Miserere, &c.

My God, I believe in Thee, I hope in Thee, I love Thee. I repent of my sins, because by them I have offended Thee.

FIFTH WORD.

I thirst.

V. Adoramus, &c.

Jesus, my love! who for love of me dost hang in agony upon the cross, and who, insatiable in Thy thirst for insults and sufferings, willest yet more and more to suffer, that all men may be saved, showing thereby that all the torrent of Thy Passion is not enough to quench the thirst of Thy most loving Heart; pity all the faithful who are in their last agony, and pity me when I too shall be in mine. By the merits of Thy most Precious Blood, kindle in our hearts such fire of charity as

may make them burn to be made one with Thee for all eternity.

Gloria Patri *thrice.*

V. Miserere, &c.

My God, I believe in Thee, I hope in Thee, I love Thee. I repent of my sins, because by them I have offended Thee.

SIXTH WORD.

It is finished.

V. Adoramus, &c.

Jesus, my love! who for love of me dost hang in agony upon the cross, and from this pulpit of truth dost announce that the work of our redemption is finished—that work through which, from children of wrath and perdition, we become God's children and the heirs of heaven; pity all the faithful who are in their last agony, and pity me when I too shall be in mine. By the merits of Thy most Precious Blood, detach us wholly from the world and from ourselves, and at the moment of our agony grant us grace to offer Thee with all our hearts the sacrifice of our life, in expiation for our sins.

Gloria Patri *thrice.*

V. Miserere, &c.

My God, I believe in Thee, I hope in Thee, I love Thee. I repent of my sins, because by them I have offended Thee.

SEVENTH WORD.

Father, into Thy hands I commend My spirit.

V. Adoramus, &c.

Jesus, my love! who for love of me dost hang in agony upon the cross, and who in accomplishment of the great sacrifice dost accept the will of Thine Eternal Father, commending Thy spirit into His hands, and so dost bow Thy head and die; pity all the faithful who are in their last agony, and pity me when I too shall be in mine. By the merits of Thy most Precious Blood, give us in our agony an entire conformity to Thy divine will, that ready to live or die as it please Thee, we may desire nothing so much as that Thine adorable will may ever find its full accomplishment in us.

Gloria Patri *thrice.*

V. Miserere, &c.

My God, I believe in Thee, I hope in Thee, I love Thee. I repent of my sins, because by them I have offended Thee.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY VIRGIN, MOTHER OF SORROWS.

Most Holy Mother of sorrows, by that intense martyrdom which thou didst suffer at the foot of the cross during the three hours of the agony of Jesus, deign to aid us all, children of thy sorrows, in our last agony, that by Thy prayers we may pass from our bed of death to adorn thy crown in Paradise.

Ave Maria *thrice, &c.*

Maria, mater gratiæ,
Mater misericordiæ,
Tu nos ab hoste protege,
Et mortis hora suscipe.

V. A subitanea et improvisa morte,
R. Libera nos, Domine.
V. Ab insidiis diaboli,
R. Libera nos, Domine.
V. A morte perpetua,
R. Libera nos, Domine.

Oremus.

Deus, qui ad humani generis salutem in dolorosissima Filii tui morte exemplum et subsidium constituisti; concede, quæsumus, ut in extremo mortis nostræ periculo tantæ charitatis effectum consequi et ipsius Redemptoris gloriæ consociari mereamur. Per eundem Christum, etc. *R.* Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Mother of mercy, Mother of grace,
Mary, help a fallen race;
Shield us when the foe is nigh,
And receive us when we die.

V. From sudden and unprepared death,
R. Deliver us, O Lord.
V. From the snares of the devil,
R. Deliver us, O Lord.
V. From everlasting death,
R. Deliver us, O Lord.

Let us pray.

God, who for the salvation of the human race hast, in the most bitter death of Thy Son, made for us both an example and a refuge; grant, we beseech Thee, that in the last peril, at the hour of our death, we may merit to obtain the full effect of this great charity, and be made partakers of our Redeemer's glory. Through the same Jesus Christ Thy Son.

End with the three ejaculations,

Jesus, Mary, Joseph, p. 61.

44.

DEVOTION FOR THE SEVEN FRIDAYS IN LENT AND THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

i. 300 DAYS, for each of the seven Fridays in Lent, for all who on the seven Fridays in Lent shall use certain devotional exercises on the Passion, collected in a little book published in Rome.

ii. PLENARY, on any one of these Fridays.

iii. 300 DAYS, to every one who shall make use of these devotions on any other Friday in the year.

iv. PLENARY, if any one shall practise them on seven consecutive Fridays at any time in the year; to be gained on any one of those Fridays.

This little book, published by Pulcinelli, in Rome, is a collection of affectionate colloquies for each of the seven Fridays, addressed to Jesus in His Passion, calling to the mind all He suffered for love of us, from His agony in the Garden of Gethsemani to His death on Mount Calvary. To these colloquies are added the virtues to be practised on each of these Fridays, as well as certain ejaculatory prayers.

N.B.—Those who cannot read, or who do not possess the above-named book, may supply the want of it by visiting any church or public oratory on any one of the aforesaid Fridays, and devoutly reciting seven times *Pater noster*, *Ave Maria*, and *Gloria Patri*, before any image or picture of Jesus crucified, in memory of all that He suffered for our redemption.

45.

THE THREE HOURS' AGONY ON GOOD FRIDAY AND ANY OTHER FRIDAY.

i. PLENARY, to all who, being truly penitent, having Confessed and Communicated on Holy Thursday, or intending to Communicate in Easter Week, praying also for the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff, shall either in public or private, alone or with others, under the direction of a priest or sacred minister, or with the aid of some book approved for this purpose, practise this devotional exercise on Good Friday for three hours together, either by meditating according to their abilities on the sufferings of Jesus Christ during the three hours He hung on the cross, and on the seven words he then uttered, or else, instead of meditation, by reciting certain psalms, hymns, or other prayers.

ii. 200 DAYS, any Friday in the year, to every one who, in remembrance of, and out of devotion to, the agony of our Blessed Lord, shall spend some time in prayer in a church, praying as above.

iii. PLENARY, once every month, to every one who has meditated and prayed every previous Friday in the month, in the way just mentioned.

46.

PRAYERS TO THE MOST HOLY WOUNDS.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, besides the above partial indulgence, twice a year—that is, on the two feasts, first, that of the Invention (May 3), and, secondly, that of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (September 14)—to all who shall say these prayers at least ten times a month, and fulfil the usual conditions.

iii. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, daily, to those who say these prayers from Passion Sunday to Holy Saturday inclusive.

iv. PLENARY, on Easter day, on the usual conditions.

THE PRAYERS.

Act of Contrition.

As I kneel before Thee on the cross, most loving Saviour of my soul, my conscience tells me it was I who nailed Thee to that cross with these hands of mine, as often as I have fallen into mortal sin, wearying Thee with my monstrous ingratitude. My God, my chief and most perfect Good, worthy of all my love, seeing Thou hast ever loaded me with blessings, I cannot now undo my misdeeds, as I would most willingly, but I can and will loathe them, grieving greatly for having offended Thee who art Infinite Goodness! And now, kneeling at Thy feet, I will try at least to compassionate Thee, to give Thee thanks, to ask of Thee pardon and contrition; wherefore with heart and lips I say:

To the First Wound of the Left Foot.

Holy wound of the Left Foot of my Jesus! I adore Thee, I compassionate Thee for that most

bitter pain which Thou didst suffer. I thank Thee for the love whereby Thou wast wearied in overtaking me on the way to ruin, and didst bleed amid the thorns and brambles of my sins. I offer to the Eternal Father the pain and love of Thy most holy humanity, in atonement for my sins, all which I detest with sincere and bitter contrition.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

Holy Mother, pierce me through;
In my heart each wound renew
Of my Saviour crucified.

To the Second Wound, of the Right Foot.

Holy wound of the Right Foot of my Jesus! I adore Thee, I compassionate Thee for that most bitter pain which Thou didst suffer. I thank Thee for the love which pierced Thee with such torture and shedding of blood in order to punish my wanderings and the guilty pleasures I have granted to my passions. I offer the Eternal Father all the pain and love of Thy most holy humanity, and I pray unto Thee for grace to weep over my transgressions with burning tears, and to enable me to persevere in the good which I have begun, without ever swerving again from my obedience to the commandments of my God.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

Holy Mother, &c.

To the Third Wound, of the Left Hand.

Holy wound of the Left Hand of my Jesus! I adore Thee, I compassionate Thee for that most bitter pain which Thou didst suffer. I thank Thee for having, in Thy love, spared me the scourges and eternal damnation which my sins have merited. I offer to the Eternal Father the pain and love of Thy most holy humanity, and I pray Thee to teach me how to turn to good account my span of life, and bring forth in it worthy fruits of penance, and so disarm the angry justice of my God.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

Holy Mother, &c.

To the Fourth Wound, of the Right Hand.

Holy wound of the Right Hand of my Jesus! I adore Thee, I compassionate Thee for that most bitter pain which Thou didst suffer. I thank Thee for Thy graces lavished on me with such love, in spite of all my miserable obstinacy. I offer to the Eternal Father all the pain and love of Thy most holy humanity, and I pray Thee to change my heart and its affections, and make me do all my actions in accordance with the will of God.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

Holy Mother, &c.

To the Fifth Wound, of the sacred Side.

Holy wound in the side of my Jesus! I adore Thee, I compassionate Thee for the cruel insult Thou didst suffer. I thank Thee, my Jesus, for the love which suffered Thy side and heart to be pierced, that so the last drops of blood and water might issue forth, making my redemption to abound. I offer to the Eternal Father this outrage, and the love of Thy most holy humanity, that my soul may enter once for all into that most loving Heart, eager and ready to receive the greatest sinners, and from Him may never more depart.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

Holy Mother, &c.

TO THE MOST HOLY VIRGIN, MOTHER OF SORROWS.

Mary, Virgin Mother of God, Martyr of love and sorrow, in that thou didst witness the pains and torments of Jesus; truly didst thou concur in the great work of my redemption, first by thy innumerable afflictions, and then by the offering thou didst make to the Eternal Father of His and thy only-begotten for a holocaust and victim of propitiation for my sins. I compassionate thee for the bitter pain which thou didst suffer. I thank thee for that love, well-nigh infinite, through which thou didst bereave thyself of the fruit of thy womb, very God and very man, to save me, sinner that I am; let thy intercession, which never returneth to

thee void, interpose with the Father and the Son for me; that I may steadily amend my evil ways, and never by further faults, crucify afresh my loving Saviour; that so, persevering in His grace until death, I may obtain eternal life through the merits of His painful Passion and Death upon the cross.

Ave, *thrice.*

Oremus.

Domine Jesu Christe, qui hora sexta pro redemptione mundi crucis patibulum ascendisti, et Sanguinem tuum pretiosum in remissionem peccatorum effudisti: te humiliter deprecamur, ut post obitum nostrum Paradisi januas nos gaudenter introire concedas.

Interveniat pro nobis, quæsumus, Domine Jesu Christe, nunc et in hora mortis nostræ apud tuam clementiam Beata Virgo Maria Mater tua, cujus sacratissimam animam in hora tuæ Passionis doloris gladius pertrancivit. Per te, Jesu Christe Salvator mundi, qui cum Patre et Spiritu Sancto vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculorum. *R.* Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at the sixth hour of the day didst, for the redemption of the world, mount the gibbet of the cross, and shed Thy Precious Blood for the remission of sins; we humbly beseech Thee grant us that after our death we may joyfully enter the gates of Paradise.

We beseech Thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, that now, and at the hour of our death, blessed Mary ever Virgin, Thy Mother, may intercede for us, through whose most holy soul the sword passed in the hour of Thy Passion. Through Thee, Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

47.

CHAPLET OF THE FIVE WOUNDS.

i. ONE YEAR, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, on the usual conditions (besides the above partial Indulgence) three times a year, that is, on any one Friday in March, on the Feasts of the Invention and Exaltation of the Holy Cross, or on any one day in the octaves of these feasts, to all who shall have practised the devotion of saying this Chaplet at least ten times each month.

The Sovereign Pontiff Pius IX. extended this Plenary Indulgence to the feasts of the Nativity, Circumcision, and Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ, the feasts of His Most Holy Name, Easter Sunday, the Ascension, Corpus Christi, and the Transfiguration, or any one day in the octaves of these feasts.

iii. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, daily, to all who shall say this Chaplet from Passion Sunday to Holy Saturday inclusive; PLENARY, when they fulfil the Paschal precept.

The condition of gaining all these Indulgences is, that the Chaplets used should be blessed by the most reverend the Father-General of the Congregation of Discalced Clerics of the Passion (Passionists), or by some other priest of the Congregation to whom the General has communicated the

faculty received by him; after they have been blessed, they cannot be sold or lent, or given away to others, &c., for the purpose of communicating to them the Indulgences. This Chaplet consists of five sets, of five beads each; and at each one of these beads, in memory of the Five Wounds of Jesus Christ, one *Gloria Patri* is to be said; and at the end of each set of five, one *Ave Maria* is added in honour of our Lady's sorrows.

48.

THE PRAYER, "DEUS, QUI PRO REDEMPTIONE" (p. 59), ETC., WITH "PATER NOSTER," "AVE MARIA," AND "GLORIA PATRI" FIVE TIMES.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, once a month, on any one of the three last days of the month.

This prayer may be said for a soul in its agony.

49.

PRAYER, "EN EGO," ETC., BEFORE A CRUCIFIX.

PLENARY, on the usual conditions, when said before any representation of Jesus crucified.

En ego, O bone et dulcissime Jesu, ante conspectum tuum genibus me provolvo, ac maximo animi ardore te oro atque obtestor ut meum in cor vividos fidei, spei, et charitatis sensus, atque veram

peccatorum meorum pœnitentiam, eaque emendandi firmissimam voluntatem velis imprimere: dum magno animi affectu, et dolore tua quinque Vulnera mecum ipse considero, ac mente contemplor, illud præ oculis habens, quod jam in ore ponebat suo David propheta de Te, O bone Jesu: "Foderunt manus Meas et pedes Meos; dinumeraverunt omnia ossa Mea."

(*Translation.*)

O good and sweetest Jesus, before Thy face I humbly kneel, and with the greatest fervour of spirit I pray and beseech Thee to vouchsafe to fix deep in my heart lively sentiments of faith, hope, and charity, true contrition for my sins, and a most firm purpose of amendment; whilst I contemplate with great sorrow and affection Thy five Wounds, and ponder them over in my mind, having before my eyes the words which, long ago, David the prophet spoke in his own person concerning Thee, my Jesus: "Foderunt manus Meas et pedes Meos; dinumeraverunt omnia ossa Mea,"—"They digged My hands and My feet; they numbered all My bones." *Ps.* xxi. 17, 18.

50.

PRAYERS OF ST. PIUS V., WITH THE "CREDO" FIVE TIMES.

i. 60 DAYS, provided that the faithful, while saying these prayers, known as the Five Credos of St. Pius, intend to apply them according to the intention of the Pope.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE PRAYERS.

i. O my Lord Jesus Christ crucified, Son of the most Blessed Virgin Mary, open Thine ears, and listen to me as Thou didst listen to the Eternal Father on Mount Tabor.

Credo.

ii. O my Lord Jesus Christ crucified, Son of the most Blessed Virgin Mary, open Thine eyes and look upon me as Thou didst look from the tree of the cross upon Thy dear Mother sorrowing and afflicted.

Credo.

iii. O my Lord Jesus Christ crucified, Son of the most Blessed Virgin Mary, open thy blessed mouth, and speak to me as Thou didst speak to St. John when Thou gavest him for son to Thine own most beloved Mother.

Credo.

iv. O my Lord Jesus Christ crucified, Son of the most Blessed Virgin Mary, open Thine arms and embrace me as Thou didst open them upon the cross to embrace the whole human race.

Credo.

v. O my Lord Jesus Christ crucified, Son of the most Blessed Virgin Mary, open Thy Heart and

receive therein my heart, and hear me in all that I ask of Thee, if so be it be agreeable to Thy most holy will.

Credo.

51.

INVOCATION OF ST. THOMAS AQUINAS TO THE CROSS.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.

Crux mihi certa salus.
Crux est quam semper adoro.
Crux Domini mecum.
Crux mihi refugium.

(*Translation.*)

The cross is my sure salvation.
The cross I ever adore.
The cross of my Lord is with me.
The cross is my refuge.

PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS.

52.

CHAPLET.

i. SEVEN YEARS and SEVEN QUARANTINES, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.
iii. 300 DAYS, daily, to all who say the prayer, "Most precious Blood," &c., for which see page 114.

This Chaplet consists of seven Mysteries, in which we meditate upon the seven times in which Jesus Christ shed His Blood for us; at each Mystery except the last we say *Pater noster* five times, and *Gloria Patri* once; and at the last, *Pater noster* thrice, and *Gloria Patri* once; thus making up the number of 33, by saying the *Pater noster* thirty-three times in remembrance of the thirty-three years of our Lord's life. End with the prayer, "Most precious Blood," &c.

N.B. These Indulgences can be gained by merely saying thirty-three *Pater nosters* and reflecting on the Mysteries, if the person is capable of meditating. (See page 121.)

THE CHAPLET.

V. Deus, in adjutorium meum intende.
R. Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina.
V. Gloria Patri, &c.
R. Sicut erat, &c.

FIRST MYSTERY.

The first time our loving Saviour shed His precious Blood for us was on the eighth day after His birth, when He was circumcised in order to fulfil the law of Moses. While, then, we reflect that Jesus did this to satisfy the justice of God for our lax ways, let us rouse ourselves to sorrow for

them, and promise, with the help of his all-powerful grace, to be henceforth truly chaste in body and in soul.

Pater noster *five times, and* Gloria Patri *once.*

V. Te ergo quæsumus tuis famulis subveni quos pretioso Sanguine redemisti.

(*Translation.*)

V. We beseech Thee, therefore, help Thy servants, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious Blood.

SECOND MYSTERY.

Next, in the Garden of Olives, Jesus shed His Blood for us in such quantity that it bathed the earth around. He did this at the sight of the ingratitude with which men would meet His love. Let us, then, repent sincerely that we have hitherto corresponded so ill with the countless blessings of God, and resolve to make good use of His graces and inspirations.

Pater noster *five times, and* Gloria Patri *once.*

V. Te ergo quæsumus, &c. | *V.* We beseech, &c.

THIRD MYSTERY.

Next, in His cruel scourging, Jesus shed His Blood when His flesh was so torn that streams of Blood flowed from every part of His body, all of which He offered all the time to His Eternal

Father in payment of our impatience and our softness. How comes it, then, that we do not curb our anger and love of self? Henceforth we will try our best to bear our troubles well, and, despising self, take peacefully the injuries which men may do us.

Pater noster *five times, and* Gloria Patri *once.*

V. Te ergo quæsumus, &c. | *V.* We beseech, &c.

FOURTH MYSTERY.

Again, from the sacred Head of Jesus, Blood poured down when it was crowned with thorns, in punishment of our pride and evil thoughts. Shall we, then, continue to nurture haughtiness, foster foul imaginations, and feed the wayward will within us? Henceforth let there be ever before our eyes our utter nothingness, our misery, and our weakness; and with generous hearts let us resist all the temptations of the devil.

Pater noster *five times and* Gloria Patri *once.*

V. Te ergo quæsumus, &c. | *V.* We beseech, &c.

FIFTH MYSTERY.

What streams of precious Blood did not our loving Lord pour fourth from His veins when laden with the heavy cross on that most grievous journey to Calvary! The very streets and ways of Jerusalem, through which He passed, were watered with it! This He did in satisfaction for the

scandals and bad example by which His own creatures had led others astray. Who can tell how many of us are of this unhappy number? Who knows how many he himself alone has, by his own bad example, brought down to hell? And what have we done to remedy this evil? Henceforth let us at least do all we can to save souls by word and by example, making ourselves a pattern to all of goodness and a holy life.

Pater noster *five times and* Gloria Patri *once.*

V. Te ergo quæsumus, &c. | *V.* We beseech, &c.

SIXTH MYSTERY.

More, and still more precious Blood did the Redeemer of mankind shed in His barbarous Crucifixion; when, His veins being rent and arteries burst, there rushed forth in a torrent, from His hands and His feet, that saving balm of life eternal, to pay for all the crimes and enormities of a lost world. Who, after this, would continue in sin, and so renew the cruel crucifixion of the Son of God? Let us weep bitterly for our bad deeds done, and detest them before the feet of the sacred minister of God; let us amend our evil ways, and henceforth begin a truly Christian life, with the remembrance ever in our hearts of all the Blood which our salvation cost the Saviour of men.

Pater noster *five times, and* Gloria Patri *once.*

V. Te ergo quæsumus, &c. | *V.* We beseech, &c.

SEVENTH MYSTERY.

Last of all, after His death, when His sacred Side was opened by the lance, and His loving Heart was wounded, Jesus shed Blood, and with it there came forth water, to show us how His Blood was all poured out to the last drop for our salvation. Oh, the great goodness of our redeeming Lord! Who will not love Thee, Saviour of my soul? What heart will not consume itself away for love of Thee, who hast done all this for our redemption? The tongue wants words to praise Thee; so let us invite all creatures upon earth, all angels and all saints in Paradise, and most of all our dear Mother Mary, to bless, praise, and celebrate Thy most precious Blood. Glory to the Blood of Jesus! Glory to the Blood of Jesus! now and ever throughout all ages. Amen.

At this last Mystery, Pater noster *thrice, and* Gloria Patri *once, are to be said, to make up the number of thirty-three.*

V. Te ergo quæsumus, &c. | *V.* We beseech, &c.

PRAYER.

Most precious Blood of life eternal! price and ransom of the world! drink and bath of the soul! ever pleading the cause of man before the throne of Mercy; I adore Thee most profoundly; I would if I were able, make Thee some compensation for the outrages and wrongs Thou dost ever suffer

from men, and especially from those who dare in their rashness to blaspheme Thee. Who will not bless this Blood of value infinite? who does not feel himself on fire with the love of Jesus, who shed it all for us? What should I be but for this Blood, which hath redeemed me? And what drew Thee, Thou precious Blood, from the veins of my Lord, even to the last drop? It was love. O boundless love, which gave to us this saving balsam! O balsam beyond all price, streaming forth from the Fount of immeasurable love! Give to all hearts, all tongues, power to praise, celebrate, and thank Thee, now and ever, and throughout all eternity. Amen.

V. Redemisti nos, Domine, in Sanguine tuo;

R. Et fecisti nos Deo nostro regnum.

Oremus.

Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, qui Unigenitum Filium Tuum mundi Redemptorem constituisti, ac ejus Sanguine placari voluisti; concede nobis, quæsumus, salutis nostræ pretium ita venerari, atque a præsentis vitæ malis ejus virtute defendi in terris, ut fructu perpetuo lætemur in cœlis. Qui tecum vivit et regnat, &c. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

V. Thou hast redeemed us, O Lord, with Thy Blood;

R. And hast made us a kingdom to our God.

Let us pray.

Almighty and Everlasting God, who hast appointed Thine only-begotten Son the Saviour of the world, and hast willed to be appeased by His Blood; grant us, we beseech Thee, so to venerate this Blood, the price of our salvation, and so to be defended on earth by its power from the evils of this present life, that in heaven we may be made glad by its everlasting fruit. Who liveth and reigneth, &c. Amen.

53.

SEVEN OFFERINGS, WITH SEVEN TIMES "GLORIA PATRI."

i. 300 DAYS, to all who shall make to the Eternal Father the following offerings of the precious Blood of His well-beloved Son Jesus Christ, together with *Gloria Patri* seven times, and an ejaculation with the intention of making thereby a compensation for all the outrages which are done to the precious Blood, which is the price and ransom of our souls.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE OFFERINGS.

I.

Eternal Father! I offer Thee the merits of the precious Blood of Jesus, Thy well-beloved Son, my Saviour and my God, for the propagation and exaltation of my dear Mother Thy Holy Church; for the safety and prosperity of her visible head, our chief pastor the Bishop of Rome; for the

cardinals, bishops, and pastors of souls, and for all the ministers of the sanctuary.

Gloria.

Blessed and praised for evermore be Jesus, who hath saved us with His Blood.

II.

Eternal Father! I offer Thee the merits of the precious Blood of Jesus, Thy well-beloved Son, my Saviour and my God, for the peace and concord of Catholic kings and princes, for the humiliation of the enemies of our Holy Faith, and for the welfare of all Christian people.

Gloria.

Blessed and praised, &c.

III.

Eternal Father! I offer Thee the merits of the precious Blood of Jesus, Thy well-beloved Son, my Saviour and my God, for the repentance of unbelievers, the uprooting of heresy, and the conversion of sinners.

Gloria.

Blessed and praised, &c.

IV.

Eternal Father! I offer Thee the merits of the precious Blood of Jesus, Thy well-beloved Son, my Saviour and my God, for all my relations, friends, and enemies; for the poor, the sick, and

the afflicted, and for all those for whom Thou my God knowest that I ought to pray, or wouldest have me pray.

Gloria.

Blessed and praised, &c.

V.

Eternal Father! I offer Thee the merits of the precious Blood of Jesus, Thy well-beloved Son, my Saviour and my God, for all who this day are passing to the other life; that Thou wouldest save them from the pains of hell, and admit them quickly to the possession of Thy glory.

Gloria.

Blessed and praised, &c.

VI.

Eternal Father! I offer Thee the merits of the precious Blood of Jesus, Thy well-beloved Son, my Saviour and my God, for all those who love this great treasure, for those who join with me in adoring it and honouring it, and for those who strive to spread devotion to it.

Gloria.

Blessed and praised, &c.

VII.

Eternal Father! I offer Thee the merits of the precious Blood of Jesus, Thy well-beloved Son, my Saviour and my God, for all my wants, spiritual

and temporal; in suffrage for the holy souls in purgatory, and chiefly for those who were most devout lovers of this Blood, the price of our redemption, and of the sorrows and pains of our dear Mother, most holy Mary.

Gloria.

Blessed and praised, &c.

Glory be to the Blood of Jesus, now and for ever, and throughout all ages! Amen.

54.

PRAYER.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day, for the prayer given above, page 114.

Most precious Blood, &c.

55.

DEVOUT ASPIRATIONS.

ii. 100 DAYS, once a day.

THE ASPIRATIONS.

Viva, Viva, Jesù!

Glory be to Jesus!
Who in bitter pains
Pour'd for me the life-blood
From His sacred veins.

Grace and life eternal
In that Blood I find;
Bless'd be His compassion,
Infinitely kind!

Bless'd through endless ages
Be the precious stream,
Which from endless torment
Doth the world redeem.

There the fainting spirit
Drinks of life her fill;
There, as in a fountain,
Laves herself at will.

Oh, the Blood of Christ!
It soothes the Father's ire,
Opes the gate of heaven,
Quells eternal fire.

Abel's blood for vengeance
Pleaded to the skies,
But the Blood of Jesus
For our pardon cries.

Oft as it is sprinkled
On our guilty hearts,
Satan in confusion
Terror-struck departs.

Oft as earth exulting
Wafts its praise on high,
Hell with terror trembles,
Heaven is filled with joy.

Lift ye, then, your voices;
Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder,
Praise the precious Blood!

56.

OFFERING.

100 days.

Eternal Father! I offer Thee the precious Blood of Jesus, in satisfaction for my sins, and for the wants of Holy Church.

57.

ANOTHER OFFERING, WITH ONE "PATER NOSTER," "AVE MARIA," AND "GLORIA PATRI," IN THANKSGIVING FOR BLESSINGS RECEIVED.

i. 100 DAYS.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE OFFERING.

Eternal Father! we offer Thee the most precious Blood of Jesus, shed for us with such great love and bitter pain from His Right Hand; and, through the merits and the efficacy of that Blood, we entreat Thy Divine Majesty to grant us Thy holy benediction, in order that we may be defended thereby from all our enemies, and be set free from every ill; whilst we say, Benedictio Dei omnipotentis, Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti, descendat super nos, et maneat semper. Amen.

Pater, Ave, *and* Gloria.

58.

SHORT CHAPLET OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD.

All the Indulgences granted to the Chaplet of the Precious Blood may be gained by saying the following short Chaplet; any one who cannot meditate may gain them by only saying devoutly *Pater noster* thirty-three times.

THE SHORT CHAPLET.

V. Deus, in adjutorium meum intende.
R. Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina.
Gloria Patri, &c.

I.

Jesus shed Blood in His Circumcision.

Pater noster *five times*, Gloria *once, and*

Te ergo quæsumus tuis famulis subveni, quos pretioso Sanguine redemisti.

(*Translation.*)

We beseech Thee, therefore, help Thy servants, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious Blood.

II.

Jesus shed Blood in the Agony in the Garden.

Pater *five times*, Gloria *once.*

Te ergo quæsumus, &c. | We beseech Thee, &c.

III.

Jesus shed Blood in His Scourging.

Pater *five times*, Gloria *once.*

Te ergo quæsumus, &c. | We beseech Thee, &c.

IV.

Jesus shed Blood in His crowning with Thorns.

Pater *five times*, Gloria *once.*

Te ergo quæsumus, &c. | We beseech Thee, &c.

V.

Jesus shed Blood in carrying His Cross.

Pater *five times*, Gloria *once*.

Te ergo quæsumus, &c. | We beseech Thee, &c.

VI.

Jesus shed Blood in His Crucifixion.

Pater *five times*, Gloria *once*.

Te ergo quæsumus, &c. | We beseech Thee, &c.

VII.

Jesus shed Blood and Water from His Wounded Side.

Pater *five times*, Gloria *once*.

Te ergo quæsumus, &c. | We beseech Thee, &c.

PRAYER.

Most precious Blood, &c., *as above*, p. 114.

V. Redemisti, &c. | *V.* Thou hast redeemed, &c.
R. Et fecisti nos, &c. | *R.* And hast made, &c.

Oremus.

Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, &c.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, &c.

All as above, pp. 115, 116.

59.

DEVOTION OF THE MONTH CONSECRATED TO THE BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST.

i. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, for every day of "the month consecrated to the Blood of Jesus Christ," on whatever day the month begins which may be appointed for this devotion in any Church.

ii. PLENARY, to all who shall assist at it at least ten times in the month; this they may gain in the course of the said month, or on one of the seven days immediately following it.

iii. 300 DAYS, daily, to those who shall practise this devotion in private, with devout prayers and acts in honour of the precious Blood.

iv. PLENARY, to those who shall practise it for a month together; to be gained on the last day of the month, or one of the next seven days.

60.

FEAST OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD.

PLENARY INDULGENCE, (1) for the first Sunday of July (the day appointed for the Feast of the Precious Blood), and (2) for the Friday after the Fourth Sunday in Lent (when the Church recites the Office of the Precious Blood), beginning from the first vespers of those days, provided that, besides fulfilling the ordinary conditions, they visit the church of the Arch-confraternity of the Precious Blood, or any other church or public oratory in which the Confraternity has been canonically established, or any other church of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood.

61.

THREE OFFERINGS OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD.

To all who say the following Offerings of the precious Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ to the Most Holy Trinity, in thanksgiving for the gifts and privileges bestowed upon the most holy Virgin Mary, Mother of God, more especially those which she received in her Immaculate Conception, viz.,

i. 300 DAYS.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE OFFERINGS.

i. Eternal Father! in union with the most Holy and Immaculate Virgin, and in her name, and in union with and in the name of all the blessed in heaven, and of all the elect upon earth, I offer to Thee the most precious Blood of Jesus Christ, in thanksgiving for the gifts and privileges with which Thou hast enriched Mary, Thy most obedient Daughter, particularly in her Immaculate Conception. I offer to Thee also this precious Blood for the conversion of poor sinners, for the propagation and exaltation of Thy Holy Church, for the safety and prosperity of our chief pastor, the Bishop of Rome, and according to his intentions.

Gloria.

ii. Eternal and Incarnate Word! in union with the most Holy and Immaculate Virgin, and in her name, and in union with and in the name of all the blessed in heaven, and of all the elect upon earth, I offer to Thee Thine own most precious Blood, in thanksgiving for the gifts and privileges with which Thou hast enriched Mary, Thy most loving Mother, particularly in her Immaculate Conception. I offer to Thee also this precious Blood for the conversion of poor sinners, for the propagation and exaltation of Thy Holy Church, for the safety and prosperity of our chief pastor the Bishop of Rome, and according to his intentions.

Gloria.

iii. Holy and Eternal Spirit! in union with the most Holy and Immaculate Virgin, and in her name, and in union with, and in the name of all the blessed in heaven, and of all the elect upon earth, I offer to Thee the most precious Blood of Jesus, in thanksgiving for the gifts and privileges with which Thou last enriched Mary, Thy most faithful Spouse, particularly in her Immaculate Conception. I offer to Thee also this precious Blood for the conversion of poor sinners, for the propagation and exaltation of Thy Holy Church, for the safety and prosperity of our chief pastor the Bishop of Rome, and according to his intentions.

Gloria.

PRAYER TO THE MOST HOLY VIRGIN.

Mary, Mother of God, most Holy and Immaculate Virgin, by the love thou dost ever bear to God, by the gratitude thou hast towards Him, for the manifold graces and favours with which thou wast enriched by Him, particularly for the privilege of Immaculate Conception granted to thee alone, and by the infinite merits of Jesus Christ, thy Divine Son our Lord, we pray thee most earnestly to obtain for us a most perfect and constant devotion towards thyself, and a full trust that through thy most mighty intercession we shall receive all the graces which we ask. Certain henceforth of obtaining them from thy great goodness, with hearts overflowing with joy and thankfulness, we venerate thee, and say the salutation which the holy archangel Gabriel made to thee.

Ave.

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.

62.

FEAST AND OCTAVE OF CORPUS CHRISTI.

i. 200 DAYS, on the vigil of the Feast of Corpus Christi, to all who, being truly contrite and having confessed, shall fast, or do some other good work enjoined them by their confessor.

ii. 400 DAYS, on the feast, to all who, being contrite and having confessed, shall devoutly assist at or be present at First or Second Vespers, Matins, or Mass. 160 DAYS, for each of the Little Hours—Prime, Tierce, Sext, None, and Compline.

iii. 200 DAYS, during the octave, for each Vespers, Matins, and Mass. 80 DAYS, for each of the Little Hours.

iv. 200 DAYS, for accompanying the procession of the Blessed Sacrament on the feast or during the octave, to every priest who has said Mass for the peace of the church, and to every layman who has gone to Communion on this feast, &c.

N.B.—Members of Confraternities of the Blessed Sacrament enjoy many other Indulgences granted to them by various Popes. Pius IX. extended these Indulgences, and added others, to the Pious Union canonically erected in Rome, in the year 1852, for accompanying the Most Holy Viaticum.

63.

THE "HOUR SANCTIFIED" ON HOLY THURSDAY, ON CORPUS CHRISTI, AND ANY OTHER THURSDAY.

i. PLENARY, to all who on Holy Thursday, either in public or private, shall for one hour practise some devotion in remembrance of the institution of the Most Holy Eucharist; to be gained after Confession and Communion on that day, or some day in the following week.

ii. PLENARY, on the same conditions, on the Feast of Corpus Christi.

iii. 300 DAYS, on any other Thursday, on practising this devotion with a contrite heart.

64.

PRAYERS TO BE SAID BY PRIESTS BEFORE MASS.

i. 50 DAYS, to all priests, secular and regular, who, before celebrating the Holy Mass, say the following prayer:

Ego volo celebrare Missam, et conficere Corpus et Sanguinem Domini nostri Jesu Christi juxta ritum Sanctæ Romanæ Ecclesiæ ad laudem omnipotentis Dei, totiusque curiæ triumphantis, ad utilitatem meam, totiusque curiæ militantis; pro omnibus qui se commendârunt orationibus meis in genere et in specie, ac pro felici statu Sanctæ Romanæ Ecclesiæ. Amen.

Gaudium cum pace, emendationem vitæ, spatium veræ pœnitentiæ, gratiam et consolationem Sancti Spiritus, perseverantiam in bonis operibus, tribuat nobis omnipotens et misericors Dominus. Amen.

ii. 100 DAYS to all priests, secular and regular, who before Mass say the following prayer in honour of St. Joseph:

O felicem virum beatum Joseph, cui datum est Deum, quem multi reges voluerunt videre et non viderunt, audire et non audierunt; non solum videre et audire, sed portare, deosculari, vestire, et custodire;

V. Ora pro nobis, B. Joseph.
R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

Oremus.

Deus, qui dedisti nobis regale sacerdotium, præsta, quæsumus, ut sicut Beatus Joseph Unigenitum Filium Tuum, natum ex Maria Virgine, suis manibus reverenter tractare meruit, et portare, ita nos facias cum cordis munditia, et operis innocentia tuis sanctis altaribus deservire, ut sacrosanctum Filii tui Corpus et Sanguinem hodie digne sumamus, et in futuro sæculo præmium habere mereamur æternum. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *R.* Amen.

65.

PRAYER TO BE SAID BY PRIESTS AFTER MASS.

THREE YEARS.

THE PRAYER.

Obsecro te, dulcissime Domine Jesu Christe, ut Passio tua sit mihi virtus, qua muniar, protegar, atqua defendar; vulnera tua sint mihi cibus potusque, quibus pascar, inebrier, atque delecter; aspersio Sanguinis tui sit mihi ablutio omnium delictorum meorum, mors tua sit mihi gloria sempiterna. In his sit mihi refectio, exultatio, sanitas, et dulcedo cordis mei. Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

66.

INVOCATIONS OF ST. IGNATIUS.

i. 300 DAYS.
ii. SEVEN YEARS, if said after Mass or Communion.
iii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE INVOCATIONS.

Anima Christi, sanctifica me.
Corpus Christi, salva me.
Sanguis Christi, inebria me.
Aqua lateris Christi, lava me.
Passio Christi, conforta me.
O bone Jesu, exaudi me.
Intra tua vulnera absconde me.
Ne permittas me separari a te.
Ab hoste maligno defende me.
In hora mortis meæ voca me,
Et jube me venire ad te.
Ut cum sanctis tuis laudem te
In sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Soul of Christ, be my sanctification;
Body of Christ, be my salvation.
Blood of Christ, fill all my veins;
Water of Christ's side, wash out my stains;
Passion of Christ, my comfort be.
O good Jesus, listen to me.
In Thy wounds I fain would hide,
Ne'er to be parted from Thy side;
Guard me should the foe assail me;
Call me when my life shall fail me.
Bid me come to Thee above,
With Thy Saints to sing Thy love.
World without end. Amen.

67.

FREQUENT COMMUNION.

i. FIVE YEARS, to the faithful, every time on feast days they confess, Communicate, and pray for the Sovereign Pontiff.

ii. 10 YEARS, every time they Communicate, to those who have the good habit of Communicating at least once a month, on all the Feasts of our Lord, of the Blessed Virgin, of the Holy Apostles, and on the birthday of St. John Baptist.

iii. PLENARY, once a year, to all such persons, on the day when the principal feast of the city or country where they may happen to be is celebrated, on the usual conditions.

68.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT THE ELEVATION IN THE MASS, AT THE RINGING OF THE HOUR-BELL, WHEN THERE IS SOLEMN EXPOSITION, AND AT BENEDICTION.

i. 100 DAYS, every time any one assisting at Mass shall, at the Elevation of both sacred species, adore Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, and say devoutly—

ii. 100 DAYS, to the faithful, every time they adore their Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, saying this ejaculation, "Blessed and praised," &c., at the ringing of the bell at the hours, in churches where there is Solemn Exposition, either for the Forty Hours or for any other occasion, and at Benediction given with the Blessed Sacrament in Church.

Blessed and praised every moment
Be the most holy and divine Sacrament!

69.

ACCOMPANYING THE BLESSED SACRAMENT TO THE SICK.

i. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, to all who accompany the Blessed Sacrament with a light, and pray for peace among Christian princes, &c.

ii. FIVE YEARS AND FIVE QUARANTINES, to those who accompany it without a light.

iii. THREE YEARS AND THREE QUARANTINES, to those who, being legitimately hindered from going themselves, send some one in their stead to carry a light.

iv. 100 DAYS, to those who cannot go themselves, provided they say one *Pater noster* and one *Ave Maria* for the intention of the Pope, when they see it carried to the sick.

v. 200 DAYS, to all who accompany the Blessed Sacrament carried to the sick in solemn procession.

vi. 100 DAYS, for accompanying the Blessed Sacrament.

N.B.—These Indulgences continue in force in the holy year of jubilee.

70.

VISIT TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT WHEN EXPOSED FOR THE FORTY HOURS' PRAYER, AND VISIT TO THE HOLY SEPULCHRE ON HOLY THURSDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY.

i. PLENARY, to all who, after having Confessed and Communicated, shall devoutly visit any church during the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament there, and pray there for peace among Christian princes, &c.

ii. 10 YEARS AND 10 QUARANTINES, for every visit made with firm intention of Confession.

N.B.—These Indulgences are also granted for a visit to the Holy Sepulchre on Holy Thursday or Good Friday; the Plenary Indulgence to be gained on Holy Thursday or on Easter Sunday.

iii. INDULGENCE OF THE PRIVILEGED ALTAR, to all the altars of a church during the time of Exposition there.

71.

VISIT TO THE EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT DURING THE WEEKS FOLLOWING SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY TO ASH WEDNESDAY.

PLENARY, to all who visit the Blessed Sacrament when exposed for three days in any church on any one or all of the weeks from Septuagesima up to Ash Wednesday; the same to those who shall visit it when exposed on the Thursday after Sexagesima Sunday, the day commonly called in Rome "Giovedi grasso."

72.

VISIT TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, AND PRAYER, "RESPICE, DOMINE," ETC.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.

THE PRAYER.

Respice, Domine, de sanctuario tuo, et de excelso cœlorum habitaculo, et vide hanc sacrosanctam Hostiam, quam Tibi offert magnus Pontifex noster, Sanctus Puer tuus, Dominus Jesus, pro peccatis fratrum suorum; et esto placabilis super multitudinem malitiæ nostræ. Ecce, vox Sanguinis fratris nostri Jesu clamat ad Te de Cruce. Exaudi, Domine; placare, Domine; attende, et fac, ne moreris propter Temetipsum, Deus meus, quia nomen tuum invocatum est super civitatem istam, et super populum tuum; et fac nobiscum secundum misericordiam tuam. Amen. Ut civitatem istam defendare, pacificare, custodire, conservare, et benedicere digneris. Te rogamus audi nos.

(Translation.)

Look down, O Lord, from Thy sanctuary, and from heaven, Thy dwelling-place on high, and behold this sacred Victim which our great High Priest, Thy holy Child, our Lord Jesus, offers up to Thee for the sins of His brethren; and be appeased for the multitude of our transgressions. Behold the voice of the Blood of Jesus, our Brother, cries to Thee from the Cross. Give ear, O Lord! Be appeased, O Lord! Hearken, and do not tarry, for Thine own sake, O my God, for Thy Name is invoked upon this city and upon Thy people; and deal with us according to Thy mercy. Amen. That Thou vouchsafe to defend, pacify, keep, preserve, and bless this city. We beseech Thee to hear us.

73.

THE HYMN, "PANGE LINGUA," ETC., AND "TANTUM ERGO."

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.

ii. 100 DAYS, to those who say the *Tantum ergo*, &c., only, with the Versicle and Prayer.

iii. PLENARY, every year, on Holy Thursday, Corpus Christi, or one day in its octave, and any one other day in the year, for saying either *Pange lingua*, &c., or *Tantum ergo*, &c., at least ten times a month.

THE HYMN.

Pange lingua gloriosi
Corporis Mysterium,
Sanguinisque pretiosi,
Quem in mundi pretium,
Fructus ventris generosi,
Rex effudit gentium.

Nobis datus, nobis natus
Ex intacta Virgine,
Et in mundo conversatus
Sparso verbi semine,
Sui moras incolatus
Miro clausit ordine.

In supremæ nocte cœnæ
Recumbens cum fratribus,
Observata lege plene
Cibis in legalibus,
Cibum turbæ duodenæ
Se dat suis manibus.

Verbum caro, panem verum
Verbo carnem efficit:
Fitque Sanguis Christi merum,
Et si sensus deficit:
Ad firmandum cor sincerum
Sola fides sufficit.

Tantum ergo Sacramentum
Veneremur cernui:
Et antiquum documentum
Novo cedat ritui:
Præstet fides supplementum
Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, Genitoque
Laus et jubilatio,
Salus, honor, virtus quoque
Sit et benedictio:
Procedenti ab utroque
Compar sit laudatio. Amen.

V. Panem de cœlo præstitisti eis.
R. Omne delectamentum in se habentem.

Oremus.

Deus, qui nobis sub Sacramento mirabili Passionis tuæ memoriam reliquisti: tribue, quæsumus, ita nos Corporis et Sanguinis tui sacra mysteria venerari, ut redemptionis tuæ fructum in nobis jugiter sentiamus. Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Sing, my tongue, the Saviour's glory,
Of His Flesh the mystery sing;
Of the Blood all price exceeding,
Shed by our immortal King,
Destin'd, for the world's redemption,
From a noble womb to spring.

Of a pure and spotless Virgin
Born for us on earth below,
He, as Man with man conversing,
Stay'd, the seeds of truth to sow;
Then He clos'd in solemn order
Wondrously His life of woe.

On the night of that Last Supper,
Seated with His chosen band,
He, the paschal victim eating,
First fulfils the Law's command;
Then as food to all His brethren
Gives himself with His own hand.

Word made Flesh, the bread of nature
By His word to Flesh He turns;
Wine into His Blood he changes—
What though sense no change discerns?
Only be the heart in earnest,
Faith her lesson quickly learns.

[Tantum ergo Sacramentum.]

Down in adoration falling,
Lo! the sacred Host we hail;
Lo! o'er ancient forms departing,
Newer rites of grace prevail;
Faith for all defects supplying,
Where the feeble senses fail.

To the everlasting Father,
And the Son who reigns on high,
With the Holy Ghost proceeding
Forth from each eternally,
Be salvation, honour, blessing,
Might, and endless majesty.

V. Thou gavest them Bread from heaven,
R. And therein was sweetness of every kind.

Let us pray.

O God, who under this wonderful Sacrament hast left unto us the memorials of Thy Passion; grant us, we beseech Thee, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of Thy Body and Thy Blood that we may constantly experience within ourselves the fruit of Thy redemption. Who livest and reignest, for ever and ever. Amen.

74.

EJACULATION, "BLESSED AND PRAISED," ETC.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day, to all the faithful who, with contrite hearts, say the following Ejaculation in honour of the Blessed Sacrament.

Blessed and praised every moment
Be the most holy and divine Sacrament!

ii. 100 DAYS, three times a day, every Thursday in the year, and during the octave of Corpus Christi.

iii. PLENARY, once a month, on any one day, to those who say it every day for a month.

75.

ACTS OF ADORATION, WITH "PATER NOSTER," "AVE MARIA," AND "GLORIA PATRI," FIVE TIMES.

300 DAYS.

ACTS OF ADORATION AND REPARATION TO JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.

i. I adore Thee, my Jesus, in the Blessed Sacrament; I acknowledge Thee, true God and true Man. By this my act of adoration I intend to make Thee reparation for the coldness of so many of Thy people, who pass before Thy churches, nay, before Thy very tabernacle, where hour after hour Thou dost deign to dwell in loving impatience to communicate Thyself to Thy faithful; yet do not even bow the knee before Thee, but, like the Israelites in the wilderness, seem by their indifference to loathe this heavenly manna. I offer Thee Thine own most precious Blood which

Thou didst shed from the wound in Thy Left Foot, in reparation for this hateful coldness, and entering therein, I cry, and will never cease to cry—

Blessed and praised every moment
Be the most holy and divine Sacrament!

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

ii. I adore Thee, my Jesus; I acknowledge Thee present in the most holy Sacrament. By this act of adoration I would fain make amends for the forgetfulness of so many Christian people, who, when they see Thee go to the poor sick, to be their strength in their great journey to eternity, leave Thee unescorted, and hardly give Thee even one outward sign of homage. I offer Thee, in reparation for this coldness, that most precious Blood which Thou didst shed from the wound in Thy Right Foot, and entering therein, I cry, and will never cease to cry—

Blessed and praised every moment
Be the most holy and divine Sacrament!

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

iii. I adore Thee, my Jesus, true Bread of life eternal; and by this my act of adoration I would fain make Thee compensation for all the wounds with which Thy Sacred Heart bleeds daily to see the profanation of those churches wherein Thou dost vouchsafe to abide, beneath the sacramental species, to receive the love and adoration of Thy people. I offer Thee, in reparation for all these

irreverences, that most precious Blood which Thou didst shed from the wound in Thy Left Hand, and, entering therein, I will ever cry—

Blessed and praised every moment
Be the most holy and divine Sacrament!

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

iv. I adore Thee, my Jesus, Living Bread come down from heaven; and by this act of adoration I would fain make amends for all the acts of irreverence which Thy people day by day commit whilst they assist at Holy Mass, in which bloodless Sacrifice Thou dost renew the very Sacrifice which once Thou didst consummate on Calvary for our salvation. I offer Thee, in reparation for all this ingratitude, that most precious Blood which Thou didst shed from the wound in Thy Right Hand; and, entering therein, I unite my voice with the voices of the holy angels who adore around Thy throne—

Blessed and praised every moment
Be the most holy and divine Sacrament!

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

v. I adore Thee, my Jesus, true Victim of expiation for our sins; and I offer Thee this act of adoration in compensation for the sacrilegious outrages Thou dost receive from so many of Thy ungrateful people, who dare to draw nigh to Thee and receive Thee in Communion with mortal sin upon their souls. In reparation for these hateful

sacrileges, I offer Thee those last drops of Thy most precious Blood which Thou didst shed from the wound in Thy Side; and, entering therein, I approach Thee with acts of adoration, love, and thanksgiving, and, with all holy souls who are devout to Thee in this most holy Sacrament, I cry—

Blessed and praised every moment
Be the most holy and divine Sacrament!

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

Tantum ergo, *&c.*, *as above*, p. 135. V. Panem de cœlo, *&c.* Deus qui nobis, *&c.*

76.

REPARATION AND EJACULATIONS.

200 DAYS.

ACT OF REPARATION.

Jesus, my God, my Saviour, true God and true Man, in that lowly homage with which the faith itself inspires me, with my whole heart I adore and love Thee in the most august Sacrament of the Altar, in reparation for all the acts of irreverence, profanation, and sacrilege, which I myself may ever have been so unhappy as to have committed, as well as for all such like acts that ever have been done, or which may be done—though God forbid they should be done—in ages yet to come. I adore Thee, my God, not indeed as Thou deservest, nor as much as I am bound to adore, but as far as I

am able; and I would that I could adore Thee with all the perfection of which a reasonable creature is capable. Meantime I purpose now and ever to adore Thee, not only for those Catholics who adore Thee not, and love Thee not, but also in the stead of, and for the conversion of, all heretics, schismatics, impious atheists, blasphemers, sorcerers, Turks, Jews, and idolaters. Jesus, my God, mayest Thou be ever known, adored, loved, and praised every moment, in the most holy and divine Sacrament. Amen.

EJACULATIONS.

I adore Thee every moment, O Living Bread of Heaven, Great Sacrament!

Jesus, Heart of Mary, I pray Thee send Thy blessing on my soul.

Holiest Jesu! loving Saviour! I give Thee my heart.

77.

PRAYER TO THE MOST HOLY SACRAMENT, AND TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS.

100 DAYS, once a day.

THE PRAYER.

Behold, my most loving Jesus, to what an excess Thy boundless love has carried Thee. Of Thine own Flesh and precious Blood Thou hast made ready for me a banquet in order to give me all Thyself. What was it that impelled Thee to

this transport of love for me? It was Thy Heart, Thy loving Heart. O adorable Heart of my Jesus! burning furnace of Divine Love! within Thy most sacred wound receive Thou my soul; that in that school of charity I may learn to requite the love of that God who has given me such wondrous proofs of his love. Amen.

78.

PRAYER FROM ST. ALPHONSO DE LIGUORI, TO BE SAID AT A VISIT TO THE MOST HOLY SACRAMENT.

i. 300 DAYS.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

PRAYER.

O my Lord Jesus Christ, who for the love which Thou dost bear men dost remain night and day in this Sacrament, all full of tenderness and love, expecting, inviting, and receiving all those who come to visit Thee; I believe Thee present in the Sacrament of the Altar; I adore Thee in the depths of my own nothingness; and I thank Thee for all the graces which Thou hast granted me, especially for having vouchsafed to bestow Thyself upon me in this Sacrament, for having given me Thy own most holy Mother Mary for my advocate, and for having invited me to visit Thee in this church. I pay my homage this day to Thy adorable Heart, and I do so for the following three intentions: first, in thanksgiving for this great gift itself; secondly, as a reparation for all the injuries which Thou hast received from all Thy enemies in

this Sacrament; thirdly, by this visit I intend to adore Thee in all those places where Thou, sacramentally present, art least reverenced and most abandoned. My Jesus, I love Thee with my whole heart. I repent of having so many times heretofore displeased Thy infinite goodness. By Thy grace I resolve never to offend Thee more for the time to come; and at this present moment, poor sinner as I am, I consecrate myself wholly to Thee. I renounce for myself, and I give to Thee, my will, my affections, my desires, everything that I call my own. From this day forth do Thou with me, and with every thing that belongs to me, whatever pleases Thee. I ask Thee only, and I wish only, for Thy holy love, for final perseverance, and the perfect fulfilment of Thy will. I commend to Thee the souls in purgatory, especially those who were most devoted to the most holy Sacrament, and to Mary most holy. Moreover, I commend to Thee all poor sinners. For this intention, O my dear Saviour Jesus, I unite all my affections with the affections of Thy most loving Heart; and thus united, I offer them to Thy Eternal Father, and I entreat Him, in Thy name and for Thy love, to accept and answer them.

79.

VISIT TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, WITH FIVE PATERS, AVES, AND GLORIAS, AND ONE PATER, AVE, AND GLORIA FOR THE INTENTION OF THE POPE.

300 DAYS.

80.

ACTS OF ADORATION, TO BE MADE AT A VIST TO THE MOST HOLY SACRAMENT.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.

ii. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, on any Thursday, if made after Confession and Communion, and for the intention of the Pope.

iii. PLENARY, on the first Thursday of every month, if made for the intention of the Pope.

Adoramus te, Christe, et benedicimus tibi.
Quia per sanctam Crucem tuam redemisti mundum.

(*Translation.*)

We adore Thee, Christ, and we bless Thee.
Because by Thy holy Cross Thou hast redeemed the world.

I adore Thee, Eternal Father, and I give Thee thanks for the infinite love with which Thou didst deign to send thy only-begotten Son to redeem me, and to become the food of my soul. I offer Thee all the acts of adoration and thanksgiving that are offered to Thee by the angels and saints in heaven, and by the just on earth. I praise, love, and thank Thee with all the praise, love, and thanksgiving that are offered to Thee by Thine own Son in the blessed Sacrament; and I beg Thee to grant that He may be known, loved, honoured, praised, and worthily received by all, in this most divine Sacrament.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

I adore Thee, Eternal Son, and I thank Thee for the infinite love which caused Thee to become man for me, to be born in a stable, to live in poverty, to suffer hunger, thirst, heat, cold, fatigue, hardships, contempt, persecutions, the scourging, the crowning with thorns, and a cruel death upon the hard wood of the cross. I thank Thee, with the Church militant and triumphant, for the infinite love with which Thou didst institute the most blessed Sacrament to be the food of my soul.

I adore Thee in all the consecrated hosts throughout the whole world, and I return thanks for those who know Thee not, and who do not thank Thee. Would that I were able to give my life to make Thee known, loved, and honoured by all, in this sacrament of love, and to prevent the irreverences and sacrileges that are committed against Thee! I love Thee, divine Jesus, and I desire to receive Thee with all the purity, love, and affection of Thy blessed mother, and with the love and affection of Thy own most pure heart. Grant, O most amiable spouse of my soul! in coming to me in this most holy Sacrament, that I may receive all the graces and blessings which Thou dost come to bestow on us, and let me rather die than receive Thee unworthily.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

I adore Thee, Eternal Holy Ghost, and I give Thee thanks for the infinite love with which Thou didst work the ineffable mystery of the Incarnation, and for the infinite love with which Thou didst form the sacred body of our Lord Jesus Christ out

of the most pure blood of the blessed Virgin Mary, to become in this Sacrament the food of my soul. I beg Thee to enlighten my mind, and to purify my heart and the hearts of all men, that all may know the benefit of Thy love, and receive worthily this most blessed Sacrament.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

Tantum ergo, &c. *V.* Panem de, &c.
Deus qui nobis, &c., p. 136.

81.

PRAYER.

100 DAYS.

Dear Jesus, in the Sacrament of the Altar, be for ever thanked and praised. Love, worthy of all celestial and terrestrial love! who, out of infinite love for me, ungrateful sinner, didst assume our human nature, didst shed thy most precious blood in the cruel scourging, and didst expire on a shameful cross for our eternal welfare! Now, illumined with lively faith, with the outpouring of my whole soul and the fervour of my heart, I humbly beseech thee, through the infinite merits of thy painful sufferings, give me strength and courage to destroy every evil passion which sways my heart, to bless thee in my greatest afflictions, to glorify thee by the exact fulfilment of all my duties, supremely to hate all sin, and thus to become a saint.

SACRED HEART OF JESUS.

VISIT TO ANY CHURCH OR PUBLIC ORATORY WHERE THE FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART IS BEING KEPT WITH PRAYER FOR THE INTENTION OF THE POPE.

82.

PLENARY, on the usual conditions.

83.

VISIT TO A REPRESENTATION OF THE SACRED HEART.

SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, as often as any one visits a representation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, exposed for public veneration at any church, or oratory, or altar, and prays there for a time according to the intention of the Pope.

84.

EJACULATION.

i. 300 DAYS.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

Sweet Heart of my Jesus,
Make me love Thee ever more and more!

85.

OFFERING, TO BE MADE BEFORE A REPRESENTATION OF THE SACRED HEART.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE OFFERING.

My loving Jesus, out of the grateful love I bear Thee, and to make reparation for my unfaithful-

ness to grace, I (N. N.) give Thee my heart, and I consecrate myself wholly to Thee; and with Thy help I purpose never to sin again.

86.

PRAYERS, WITH THREE TIMES PATER, AVE, AND GLORIA.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE PRAYERS.

i. Verbum caro factum est, et habitavit in nobis.

The Word was made Flesh, and dwelt amongst us.

Eternal Word, made Man for love of us, humbly kneeling at Thy feet we adore Thee with the deepest veneration of our soul; and in order that we may repair our ingratitude for this great benefit of Thy Incarnation, we unite ourselves to the hearts of all those who love Thee, and together with them we offer Thee our humble loving thanksgiving. Pierced by the great humility, goodness, and sweetness which we behold in Thy Divine Heart, we beseech Thee to give us Thy grace, that in our lives we too may imitate these virtues so dear to Thee.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

ii. Crucifixus etiam pro nobis sub Pontio Pilato, passus, et sepultus est.

He was crucified also for us, suffered under Pontius Pilate, and was buried.

Jesus, our loving Saviour, humbly kneeling at Thy feet we adore Thee with the deepest veneration of our soul; and, in order that we may give Thee proof of the sorrow we feel at our insensibility to the outrages and sufferings which Thy loving Heart made Thee undergo for our salvation in Thy painful Passion and Death, we here unite ourselves with the hearts of all those who love Thee, and together with them we give thanks unto Thee with our whole soul. We wonder at the boundless patience and the generosity of Thy Divine Heart; and we entreat Thee to fill our hearts with such a spirit of Christian penance as may enable us courageously to embrace suffering, and to make Thy cross our great comfort and all our glory.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

iii. Panem de cœlo præstitisti eis,
Omne delectamentum in se habentem.
Thou didst give them bread from heaven to eat,
Containing in itself all sweetness.

Jesus, who dost burn with love for us, humbly kneeling at Thy feet we adore Thee with the deepest veneration of our soul; and, in order to make Thee reparation for the outrages which Thy Divine Heart daily receives in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar, we unite ourselves with the hearts of all those who love Thee, and give Thee tenderest thanks. We love in Thy Divine Heart this Thy incomprehensible fire of love towards Thy Eternal Father, and we entreat Thee to inflame our hearts with

ardent charity towards Thee and towards our neighbours.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

Lastly, O most loving Jesu, we pray Thee, by the sweetness of Thy Divine Heart, convert the sinner, console the afflicted, help the dying, lighten the pains of the souls in purgatory. Make all our hearts one in the bonds of true peace and charity, deliver us from sudden and unforeseen death, and grant us a death holy and peaceful. Amen.

V. Cor Jesu, flagrans amore nostri,
R. Inflamma cor nostrum amore Tui.

Oremus.

Concede, quæsumus, omnipotens Deus, ut qui in Sanctissimo dilecti Filii tui Corde gloriantes præcipua in nos charitatis ejus beneficia recolimus; eorum pariter et actu delectemur et fructu. Per eundem Christum, &c.

(*Translation.*)

V. Heart of Jesus, burning with love of us,
R. Inflame our hearts with love of Thee.

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we who glory in the Most Sacred Heart of Thy well-beloved Son, and call to mind the great benefits of His heavenly charity towards us, may be gladdened by the operation and the fruit of those graces in our souls. Through the same Christ, &c.

O Divine Heart of my Jesus! I adore Thee with all the powers of my soul; I consecrate them to Thee for ever, together with all my thoughts, my words, my works, and my whole self. I purpose to offer to Thee, as far as I am able, acts of adoration, love, and glory, like unto those which Thou dost offer to Thine Eternal Father. I beseech Thee, be the reparation for my transgressions, be Thou the Protector of my life, my refuge and asylum in the hour of my death. By Thy sighs, and by that sea of bitterness in which Thou wast immersed for me throughout the whole course of Thy mortal life, grant me true contrition for my sins, contempt of earthly things, an ardent longing for the glory of heaven, trust in Thy infinite merits, and final perseverance in Thy grace.

Heart of Jesus, all love! I offer Thee these humble prayers for myself, and for all who unite with me in spirit to adore Thee; vouchsafe, of Thy infinite goodness, to receive and to answer them, and especially for that one of us who shall first end this mortal life. Sweet Heart of my Saviour, pour down upon him, in the agony of death, Thine inward consolations; place him in Thy sacred wounds; cleanse him from every stain in that furnace of love, that so Thou mayest open to him speedily the entrance into Thy glory, there to intercede with Thee for all those who yet tarry in this their land of exile.

Most Holy Heart of my most loving Jesus, I purpose to renew these acts of adoration and these prayers for myself, miserable sinner that I am, as well as for all who are associated with me to adore

Thee; every moment while I live, down to the last instant of my life. I recommend to Thee, my Jesus, the Holy Church, Thy well-beloved Spouse, our own true Mother; the souls that undergo Thy justice, all poor sinners, those who are in affliction, the dying, and all men on the whole earth—let not Thy Blood be shed in vain for them; and, last of all, vouchsafe to apply it to the relief of the souls in purgatory, and, above all, to those who in the course of their life were wont devoutly to adore Thee.

Most loving heart of Mary, which, amongst the hearts of all creatures of God, art at once the most pure, most inflamed with love for Jesus, and most compassionate towards us poor sinners, gain for us from the Heart of Jesus our Redeemer all the graces which we ask of thee. Mother of mercies, one single throb, one beat of thy heart, all on fire with love towards the Heart of Jesus, has power to console us to the full. Grant us, then, this favour, and then the Heart of Jesus, for that filial love It had and will ever have for thee, will not fail to hear and answer us. Amen.

87.

LITTLE CHAPLET AND PRAYERS.

i. 300 DAYS.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE CHAPLET AND PRAYERS.

V. Deus, in adjutorium meum intende.
R. Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina.
V. Gloria, &c.
R. Sicut erat, &c.

i. My most loving Jesus, when I ponder over Thy most Sacred Heart, all tenderness and sweetness for sinners, then doth my heart rejoice, and I am filled with hope of Thy kind welcome. But, ah me, my sins! how many and how great! With Peter and with Magdalene, I bewail and abhor them, because they are an offence to Thee, my Sovereign Good. Oh, grant me pardon for them all. I pray Thy Sacred Heart that I may rather die than offend Thee again, and live alone to love Thee.

Pater *once*, Gloria *five times*, *in honour of the Sacred Heart, then*—

Sweet Heart of my Jesus,
Make me love Thee ever more and more.

ii. My Jesus, I bless Thy most humble Heart; and I give thanks unto Thee, who in making It my model dost urge me with strong pleadings to imitate It, and also, at the cost of so many humiliations, dost vouchsafe Thyself to point out and smooth for me the way to follow Thee. Fool and ungrateful that I am, how have I wandered far away from Thee! Pardon me, my Jesus! Take away from me all hateful pride and ambition, that with lowly heart I may follow Thee, my Jesus, amidst humiliations, and so gain peace and salvation. Strengthen me, Thou who canst, and I will ever bless Thy Sacred Heart.

Pater *once*, Gloria *five times*.

Sweet Heart, &c.

iii. My Jesus, I marvel at Thy most patient Heart, and I give Thee thanks for all the wondrous examples of unwearied patience which Thou hast left us. It grieves me that these examples still have to reproach me for my monstrous delicacy, shrinking from every little pain. Pour, then, into my heart, O dear Jesus, a fervent and constant love of suffering and the cross, of mortification and of penance, that, following Thee to Calvary, I may with Thee attain to glory, and the joys of Paradise.

Pater *once*, Gloria *five times*.

Sweet Heart, &c.

iv. Dear Jesus, beside Thy most gentle Heart I set my own, and shudder to see how unlike mine is to Thine. How am I wont to fret and grieve when a hint, a look, or a word thwarts me! Pardon all my violence, and give me for the future grace to imitate in every contradiction Thy unalterable meekness, that so I may enjoy an everlasting holy peace.

Pater *once*, Gloria *five times*.

Sweet Heart, &c.

v. Let us sing praise to Jesus for His generous Heart, Conqueror of death and hell; for well it merits every praise. Still more than ever confounded am I, looking upon my coward heart, which dreads even a rough word or injurious taunt. But it shall be so with me no more. My Jesus, I pray

Thee for such strength that, fighting and conquering self on earth, I may one day rejoice triumphantly with Thee in heaven.

Pater *once*, Gloria *five times*.

Sweet Heart, &c.

Now let us turn to Mary; and dedicating ourselves yet more and more to her, and trusting in her Mother's heart, we say to her: By all the virtue of thy most sweet heart obtain for me, great Mother of God, our Mother Mary, a true and enduring devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Thy Son, that, bound up in every thought and affection in union with His Heart, I may fulfil each duty of my state, serving Jesus evermore with readiness of heart, and specially this day.

V. Cor Jesu, flagrans amore nostri,
R. Inflamma cor nostrum amore tui.

Oremus.

Illo nos igne, quæsumus, Domine, Spiritus Sanctus inflammet, quem Dominus noster Jesus Christus e penetralibus cordis sui misit in terram, et voluit vehementer accendi. Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate ejusdem Spiritus Sancti Deus per omnia sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

V. Heart of Jesus, burning with love of us,
R. Inflame our hearts with love of Thee.

Let us pray.

Lord, we beseech Thee, let Thy Holy Spirit kindle in our hearts that fire of charity which our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, sent forth from His inmost Heart upon this earth, and willed that it should burn exceedingly. Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

88.

FATHER BORGO'S NOVENA.*

i. 300 DAYS, each day of this said Novena.

ii. PLENARY, on the day immediately following the Novena, or some one day in the Octave.

Any of the faithful who are not in possession of F. Alphonso Rodriguez's book on Perfection, which F. Borgo's Novena assigns as spiritual reading during the Novena, may use any other book of devotion or spiritual reading they like.

89.

THE PRAYER, "BEHOLD, MY MOST LOVING JESUS," ETC.

This Prayer is to be found among the Indulgences relating to the Blessed Sacrament, p. 143.

90.

MONTH OF JUNE.

i. SEVEN YEARS, once a day, to all who, during June, either in public or private, say some special prayers, or perform some pious acts, in honour of the Most Sacred Heart.

ii. PLENARY, on any day of the month.

* The Novena of F. Borgo has been translated into English, and may be obtained of Burns and Oates, 17, Portman Street, London.

91.

EJACULATION.

100 DAYS, once a day.

May the Heart of Jesus be loved everywhere.

92.

EJACULATION.

300 DAYS, once a day.

Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like unto Thine.

93.

EJACULATION.

100 DAYS, once a day.

May the Heart of Jesus in the most Blessed Sacrament be praised, adored, and loved with grateful affection, at every moment, in all the Tabernacles of the world, even to the end of time. Amen.

94.

HOLY FAMILY.

PRAYERS TO OBTAIN HOLY PURITY, "O JESUS, SON OF GOD," ETC.

i. 300 DAYS.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE PRAYERS.

i. O Jesus, Son of the living God, brightness of the Eternal Light, generated most pure from all eternity in the bosom of the Eternal Father; who didst will to be born in time of a most pure and Immaculate Virgin,—I, Thy most frail creature, with all my heart pray Thee to keep me pure in soul and body, and to make holy purity flourish to the full again in Thy Holy Church, to Thine own greater glory, and to the salvation of the souls redeemed by Thee.

ii. O most pure and Immaculate ever Virgin Mary, Daughter of the Eternal Father, Mother of the Eternal Son, Spouse of the Holy Ghost, venerable and living Temple of the most Holy Trinity, Lily of purity, and Mirror without spot; obtain for me, dear Mother, from Jesus, thine and mine, purity of soul and body; and pray to Him that He may cause this fair virtue more and more to flourish in all classes of the faithful.

iii. Most chaste Husband of Mary Immaculate, who didst merit from God the special honour to be the reputed father of Christ Jesus, innocence itself, guardian undefiled of the Virgin of virgins; obtain for me the love of Jesus, God my Saviour, and the special protection of Mary, my most holy Mother; and make it thy care, holy Joseph, my patron, protector of all chaste souls, that this virtue of holy purity, so loved by thee, be better loved by me and by all men.

iv. And do thou, our special advocate and example, St. Bernardine, lover of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, model of Christian modesty, and restorer in thine own time of piety and good morals, present our supplications to the Holy Family, and implore of them for our times that, together with piety and the fear of God, holy purity of soul and body may reign in all Christian families, and in all who are the children of the holy Roman Church our Mother. Amen.

MARY.

95.

OFFICE.

i. 100 DAYS, to all who, being bound thereto by obligation, devotedly say the Office of the Blessed Virgin on the days prescribed in the rubric of the Roman Breviary.

ii. 50 DAYS, to all who say this Office out of devotion, and not of obligation.

iii. 15 DAYS, to all who say any of the prayers contained in the same Office.

96.

ROSARY.

i. 100 DAYS, to all who say with contrition the whole Rosary of fifteen decades, or the third part of it, of five decades, for every *Pater* and *Ave*.

ii. PLENARY, to all who say the third part of it once every day for a year, on any one day in the year.

iii. TEN YEARS AND TEN QUARANTINES, once a day, to every one who, with contrition, says a third part of the Rosary in company with others, either in public or private.

iv. PLENARY, on the usual conditions, on the last Sunday in every month, to all who are in the habit of saying with others, at least three times a week, the said third part of the Rosary.

To gain these Indulgences, it is requisite that the Rosaries should be blessed by religious of the order of Friar Preachers, and that, during the recital of the Rosary, meditation be made on the mysteries of the Birth, Passion, Death, Resurrection, &c., of our Lord Jesus Christ. Note, moreover, that simple people who cannot meditate may obtain these Indulgences by merely saying the Rosary devoutly.

Observe also, that all persons enrolled in the Confraternity of the Rosary, wherever it has been canonically erected, gain many other Indulgences when they say the Rosary, or do any other pious work.

THE MYSTERIES ON WHICH WE ARE TO MEDITATE WHILE WE SAY THE ROSARY.

The Joyful Mysteries.

1. In the First Joyful Mystery we meditate on the Annunciation made by the angel Gabriel to most holy Mary, that she was to conceive and bear a Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Pater *once*, Ave *ten times*, Gloria *once; so also in all the Mysteries.*

2. In the Second Joyful Mystery we meditate how, when Mary heard that Elizabeth had conceived, she went to her house to visit her, and stayed with her three months.

3. In the Third Joyful Mystery we meditate how, when the full time of Mary's delivery was come, she brought forth our Saviour Jesus Christ at midnight, in the city of Bethlehem, and laid Him in a manger between two brute beasts.

4. In the Fourth Joyful Mystery we meditate how most holy Mary, on the day of her Purification, presented Christ our Lord in the Temple, and placed Him in the arms of the holy old man Simeon.

5. In the Fifth Joyful Mystery we meditate how the Virgin Mary lost her Son, when twelve years old, sought for Him three days, and at the end of the third day found him in the Temple amid the doctors, hearing them and asking them questions.

The Sorrowful Mysteries.

1. In the First Sorrowful Mystery we meditate how our Lord Jesus Christ prayed in the garden of Olives, and sweated blood.

2. In the Second Sorrowful Mystery we meditate how our Lord Jesus Christ was cruelly scourged in Pilate's house with innumerable blows.

3. In the Third Sorrowful Mystery we meditate how our Lord Jesus Christ was crowned with sharp thorns.

4. In the Fourth Sorrowful Mystery we meditate how Jesus was condemned to die, and, for His greater ignominy and pain, the heavy tree of the cross was laid upon his shoulder.

5. In the Fifth Sorrowful Mystery we meditate how, when Jesus arrived at Calvary, He was stripped and nailed with iron nails to the cross, and died thereon, before the eyes of his afflicted Mother.

The Glorious Mysteries.

1. In the First Glorious Mystery we meditate how Jesus Christ our Lord rose again in glory, the third day after His Death and Passion, triumphant over death, and never more to die.

2. In the Second Glorious Mystery we meditate how Jesus Christ, the fortieth day after His Resurrection, ascended into heaven with great joy and triumph, in the presence of His most holy Mother and His disciples.

3. In the Third Glorious Mystery we meditate how Jesus Christ sat down on the right hand of the Father, and sent from thence the Holy Ghost into the room where the Apostles and the most holy Virgin were assembled.

4. In the Fourth Glorious Mystery we meditate how, twelve years after our Lord Jesus Christ rose from the dead, His Mother herself passed from this mortal life, and was carried into heaven by the angels.

5. In the Fifth Glorious Mystery we meditate how, in heaven, Mary was crowned by her Son; in this Mystery also we meditate upon the glory of the saints.

97.

THE ROSARY HOUR.

PLENARY, on the usual conditions, once a year, to all the faithful who shall, on the day and hour assigned to them, say with devotion the Rosary.

98.

THE ROSARY OR CHAPLET CALLED ST. BRIDGET'S.

This Chaplet is said in honour of the sixty-three years which, it is said, the most holy Mary lived on earth: it is composed of six divisions, each division consisting of the *Pater* once, *Ave* ten times, and *Credo* once; after these, one *Pater* more is said, and *Ave* thrice, thus in all the *Pater* will be said seven times, to mark the number of said Seven Dolours and Seven Joys; and the *Ave* sixty-three times, to make up the full number of sixty-three years. Moreover, it will be seen in the following summary that the same Indulgences may be gained by saying the fifteen decades, or five decades only, as mentioned in the preceding Rosary.

It is requisite, in order to gain these Indulgences, that the Chaplet, being made, as has been said, of six decades, &c., should be blessed by the superiors of the monastic houses or other priests of the order of St. Saviour, sometimes called the order of St. Bridget, deputed for this purpose; and after they have been blessed, they cannot be sold or lent, for the purpose of communicating the Indulgences to others.

SUMMARY OF INDULGENCES ANNEXED TO THE CHAPLET OF ST. BRIDGET.

i. 100 DAYS for each *Pater*, 100 days for each *Ave*, and 100 days for each *Credo*.

ii. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES.

N.B.—Whenever this Rosary is said with others, each person may gain the Indulgences i. and ii. precisely the same as when the said Rosary is said by one person alone.

iii. PLENARY, to all who shall say at least five decades daily for a year, on any one day in the year.

iv. PLENARY, on the usual condition, on the Feast of St. Bridget (Oct. 8), to all who say the said Rosary of five decades at least once a week.

v. PLENARY, to all who, having Confessed and Communicated, or being at least contrite, shall have been accustomed to say this Rosary, as in No. iv., when, *in articulo mortis*, recommending their souls to God, they say the holy name JESUS with their hearts, if unable to do so with their lips.

vi. PLENARY, once a month.

vii. 40 DAYS, to all who carry this Rosary with them, if, at the tolling of the bell for a passing soul, they kneel down and pray for that soul.

viii. 20 DAYS, to all who carry this Rosary, whenever they make examination of conscience, and say thrice *Pater* and *Ave*.

xi. 100 DAYS, to all who carry this Rosary whenever they hear Mass (feast-day or ferial), or assist at a sermon, or accompany the Most Holy Viaticum, or bring back any sinner into the way of salvation, or do any other good work in honour of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Blessed Virgin, or St. Bridget, provided they say also the *Pater* and *Ave* thrice.

99.

THE LITANY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN, COMMONLY CALLED THE LITANY OF LORETTO.

i. 300 DAYS.

ii. PLENARY, to all who say them daily on the five Feasts of Obligation of our Blessed Lady, according to the Roman Calendar, viz., the Immaculate Conception, the Nativity, the Annunciation, the Purification, and the Assumption, on the usual conditions.

Kyrie eleison.	Lord have mercy.
Christe eleison.	Christ have mercy.
Kyrie eleison.	Lord have mercy.
Christe audi nos.	Christ hear us.
Christe exaudi nos.	Christ graciously hear us.
Pater de cœlis Deus,	God the Father of heaven,
Fili Redemptor mundi Deus,	God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
Spiritus Sancte Deus,	God the Holy Ghost,
Sancta Trinitas, unus Deus,	Holy Trinity, one God,

Miserere nobis. *Have mercy on us.*

Sancta Maria,	Holy Mary,	
Sancta Dei Genitrix,	Holy Mother of God,	
Sancta Virgo virginum,	Holy Virgin of virgins,	
Mater Christi,	Mother of Christ,	
Mater divinæ gratiæ,	Mother of divine grace,	
Mater purissima,	Mother most pure,	
Mater castissima,	Mother most chaste,	
Mater inviolata,	Mother inviolate,	
Mater intemerata,	Mother undefiled,	
Mater amabilis,	Mother most amiable,	
Mater admirabilis,	Mother most admirable,	
Mater Creatoris,	Mother of our Creator,	
Mater Salvatoris,	Mother of our Saviour,	
Virgo prudentissima,	Virgin most prudent,	
Virgo veneranda,	Virgin most venerable,	
Virgo prædicanda,	Virgin most renowned,	
Virgo potens,	Virgin most powerful,	
Virgo clemens,	Virgin most merciful,	
Virgo fidelis,	Virgin most faithful,	
Speculum justitiæ,	Mirror of justice,	
Sedes sapientiæ,	Seat of wisdom,	
Causa nostræ lætitiæ,	Cause of our joy,	
Vas spirituale,	Spiritual Vessel,	
Vas honorabile,	Vessel of honour,	
Vas insigne devotionis,	Vessel of singular devotion,	
Rosa mystica,	Mystical Rose,	
Turris Davidica,	Tower of David,	
Turris eburnea,	Tower of ivory,	
Domus aurea,	House of gold,	
Fœderis arca,	Ark of the covenant,	
Janua cœli,	Gate of heaven,	
Stella matutina,	Morning star,	

Ora pro nobis. *Pray for us.*

Salus infirmorum,	Health of the sick,
Refugium peccatorum,	Refuge of sinners,
Consolatrix afflictorum,	Comforter of the afflicted,
Auxilium Christianorum,	Help of Christians,
Regina Angelorum,	Queen of Angels,
Regina Patriarcharum,	Queen of Patriarchs,
Regina Prophetarum,	Queen of Prophets,
Regina Apostolorum,	Queen of Apostles,
Regina Martyrum,	Queen of Martyrs,
Regina Confessorum,	Queen of Confessors,
Regina Virginum,	Queen of Virgins,
Regina Sanctorum omnium,	Queen of all Saints,
Regina sine labe originali concepta,	Queen conceived without original sin,
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,	Lamb of God who takest away the sins of the world,
Parce nobis, Domine.	Spare us, O Lord.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,	Lamb of God who takest away the sins of the world,
Exaudi nos, Domine.	Graciously hear us, O Lord.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,	Lamb of God who takest away the sins of the world,
Miserere nobis.	Have mercy on us.

Ora pro nobis. *Pray for us.*

100.

THE "ANGELUS DOMINI," ETC., OR THE "REGINA CŒLI," ETC.

i. PLENARY, once a month, to all who, every day, at the sound of the bell, morning, noon, and even at sunset, shall say on their knees daily the *Angelus Domini*, &c., with *Ave* thrice.

ii. 100 DAYS, every time that, being truly penitent, they say the *Angelus Domini*, as above.

N.B.—These Indulgences are not suspended in the Holy Year of the Jubilee. The *Angelus Domini* is to be said standing, every Sunday in the year, beginning from first Vespers, that is, Saturday evening; in Paschal-tide the *Regina cœli*, &c., is said instead standing, with its proper V., R., and prayer; those, however, who do not know the *Regina cœli* may obtain the same Indulgences by saying the *Angelus Domini* as above. Religious of both sexes, or others who live in community, if they cannot say the *Angelus Domini or Regina cœli* at the sound of the bell as aforesaid, by reason of their being engaged upon some work prescribed by their rule or constitution, may obtain the above-named Indulgences, provided that immediately on the conclusion of their respective duties they say the *Angelus Domini* or *Regina cœli*. Moreover, the faithful who happen to be dwelling where there is no such bell, may obtain the above-named Indulgences if, at the hours specified or thereabouts, they say the *Angelus Domini*, or *Regina cœli*, according to the season.

V. Angelus Domini nuntiavit Mariæ.
R. Et concepit de Spiritu Sancto.

Ave.

V. Ecce ancilla Domini.
R. Fiat mihi secundum verbum tuum.

Ave.

V. Et verbum caro factum est.
R. Et habitavit in nobis.

Ave.

The following ending may be added:

V. Ora pro nobis, Sancta Dei Genitrix.
R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

Oremus.

Gratiam tuam, quæsumus, Domine, mentibus nostris infunde: ut qui, angelo nuntiante, Christi Filii tui Incarnationem cognovimus, per Passionem ejus et Crucem ad resurrectionis gloriam perducamur. Per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum.
R. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

V. The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.
R. And she conceived of the Holy Ghost.

Ave.

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
R. Be it done unto me according to Thy word.

Ave.

V. And the word was made Flesh.
R. And dwelt among us.

Ave.

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the

message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

In Paschal-time, that is, from Holy Saturday at mid-day to mid-day on the Saturday preceding the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity, inclusive, instead of the Angelus Domini *the following is to be said standing :*

Regina cœli, lætare. Alleluia.
Quia quem meruisti portare. Alleluia.
Resurrexit sicut dixit. Alleluia.
Ora pro nobis Deum. Alleluia.
V. Gaude et lætare, Virgo Maria. Alleluia.
R. Quia surrexit Dominus vere. Alleluia.

Oremus.

Deus, qui per resurrectionem Filii tui Domini nostri Jesu Christi mundum lætificare dignatus es; præsta, quæsumus, ut per ejus Genitricem Virginem Mariam perpetuæ capiamus gaudia vitæ. Per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum. *R.* Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Queen of Heaven, rejoice. Alleluia.
For He whom thou wast made worthy to bear. Alleluia.
Hath arisen, as He said. Alleluia.
Pray for us to our God. Alleluia.
V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary. Alleluia.
R. For the Lord hath risen indeed. Alleluia.

Let us pray.

O God, who through the resurrection of Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ hast vouchsafed to give joy to the whole world; grant us, we beseech Thee, that, through the intercession of the Virgin Mary His Mother, we may obtain the joys of eternal life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

101.

THE "SALVE REGINA," ETC., AND THE "SUB TUUM PRÆSIDIUM," ETC.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.

ii. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, on Sundays, to all the faithful who, being moved by a spirit of true religion to make some reparation for the injuries done to the honour of Mary, Mother of God, and to the saints, by heretics, and to defend and propagate the worship (*cultus*) and veneration of their sacred images and pictures, shall to this end say at morn the *Salve Regina*, &c., with the VV. *Dignare me*, &c., and *Benedictus Deus in sanctis suis*, and at even, *Sub tuum præsidium*, &c., with the same versicles.

iii. PLENARY, twice a month, on any two Sundays in the month.

iv. PLENARY, on every Feast of our Blessed Lady, and on the Feast of All Saints.

v. PLENARY, at the hour of death, to all who have been accustomed during life to say these prayers, provided they have been to Confession and Communion, or are at least contrite in heart.

MORNING.

Salve, regina, mater misericordiæ, vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve. Ad te clamamus, exules filii Hevæ; ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes in

hac lacrymarum valle. Eja ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte; et Jesum benedictum fructum ventris tui nobis post hoc exilium ostende, O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

V. Dignare me laudare te, Virgo sacrata.
R. Da mihi virtutem contra hostes tuos.
V. Benedictus Deus in sanctis suis.
R. Amen.

EVENING.

Sub tuum præsidium confugimus, Sancta Dei Genitrix; nostras deprecationes ne despicias in necessitatibus nostris, et a periculis cunctis libera nos semper, Virgo gloriosa et benedicta.

The V.V. Dignare, *&c., as before.*

(*Translation.*)

MORNING.

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our Life, our Sweetness, and our Hope, all hail! To thee we cry, poor banished sons of Eve; to thee we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed Fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O merciful, O kind, O sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Make me worthy to praise thee, O Holy Virgin.
R. Give me strength against thine enemies.
V. Blessed be God in His saints.
R. Amen.

EVENING.

We fly to thy patronage, O Holy Mother of God; despise not thou our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O ever glorious and blessed Virgin.

V. Make me worthy to praise thee, O Holy Virgin.
R. Give me strength against thine enemies.
V. Blessed be God in His saints.
R. Amen.

102.

EJACULATIONS IN HONOUR OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

100 DAYS, every time either of the following ejaculations is said with devotion.

Blessed be the Holy and Immaculate Conception of the ever Blessed Virgin Mary.

Or,

In conceptione tua, Virgo Maria, immaculata fuisti: ora pro nobis Patrem, cujus Filium Jesum de Spiritu Sancto conceptum peperisti.

(*Translation.*)

In thy Conception, O Mary, thou wast Immaculate. Pray for us to the Eternal Father, whose only-begotten Son Jesus, conceived in thy womb by the Holy Ghost, thou didst bring forth.

103.

INVOCATION OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY.

Same Indulgences as for the Invocation of the Most Holy Name of Jesus. (See above, at page 46.)

104.

PSALMS IN HONOUR OF HER MOST HOLY NAME.

i. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.
iii. PLENARY, on the Sunday in the Octave of our Lady's Nativity (the Feast of her Name), if said often for a year.

THE FIVE PSALMS.

Ant. Mariæ nomen.

M. *Cantic. B.M.V. Luc.* 1.

Magnificat * anima mea Dominum.

Et exultavit spiritus meus * in Deo salutari meo.

Quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ : * ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes.

Quia fecit mihi magna, qui potens est, * et sanctum nomen ejus.

Et misericordia ejus a progenie in progenies * timentibus eum.

Fecit potentiam in brachio suo : * dispersit superbos mente cordis sui.

Deposuit potentes de sede, * et exaltavit humiles.

Esurientes implevit bonis, * et divites dimisit inanes.

Suscepit Israel puerum suum, * recordatus misericordiæ suæ.

Sicut locutus est ad patres nostros, * Abraham et semini ejus in sæcula.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Ant. Mariæ nomen cunctas illustrat ecclesias, cui fecit magna, qui potens est, et sanctum nomen ejus.

Ant. A solis ortu.

A. *Ps.* 119.

Ad Dominum, cum tribularer, clamavi: * et exaudivit me.

Domine, libera animam meam a labiis iniquis,* et a lingua dolosa.

Quid detur tibi, aut quid apponatur tibi, * ad linguam dolosam?

Sagittæ potentis acutæ, * cum carbonibus desolatoriis.

Heu mihi, quia incolatus meus prolongatus est! habitavi cum habitantibus Cedar: * multum incola fuit anima mea.

Cum his, qui oderunt pacem, eram pacificus: * cum loquebar illis, impugnabant me gratis.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Ant. A solis ortu usque ad occasum laudabile nomen Domini, et Mariæ matris ejus.

Ant. Refugium est.

R. *Ps.* 118.

Retribue servo tuo, vivifica me: * et custodiam sermones tuos.

Revela oculos meos, * et considerabo mirabilia de lege tua.

Incola ego sum in terra, * non abscondas a me mandata tua.

Concupivit anima mea desiderare justificationes tuas * in omni tempore.

Increpasti superbos: * maledicti qui declinant a mandatis tuis.

Aufer a me opprobrium, et contemptum, * quia testimonia tua exquisivi.

Etenim sederunt principes, et adversus me loquebantur: * servus autem tuus exercebatur in justificationibus tuis.

Nam et testimonia tua meditatio mea est: * et consilium meum justificationes tuæ.

Adhæsit pavimento anima mea: * vivifica me secundum verbum tuum.

Vias meas enuntivi, et exaudisti me: * doce me justificationes tuas.

Viam justificationum tuarum instrue me, * et exercebor in mirabilibus tuis.

Dormitavit anima mea præ tædio: * confirma me in verbis tuis.

Viam iniquitatis amove a me, * et de lege tua miserere mei.

Viam veritatis elegi: * judicia tua non sum oblitus.

Adhæsi testimoniis tuis, Domine: * noli me confundere.

Viam mandatorum tuorum cucurri, * cum dilatasti cor meum.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Ant. Refugium est in tribulationibus Mariæ nomen omnibus illud invocantibus.

Ant. In universa terra.

I. *Ps.* 125.

In convertendo Dominus captivitatem Sion, * facti sumus sicut consolati.

Tunc repletum est gaudio os nostrum, * et lingua nostra exultatione.

Tunc dicent inter gentes : * magnificavit Dominus facere cum eis.

Magnificavit Dominus facere nobiscum : * facti sumus lætantes.

Converte, Domine, captivitatem nostram, * sicut torrens in austro.

Qui seminant in lacrymis, * in exultatione metent.

Euntes ibant, et flebant, * mittentes semina sua.

Venientes autem venient cum exultatione * portantes manipulos suos.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Ant. In universa terra admirabile est nomen tuum, O Maria.

Ant. Annuntiaverunt.

A. *Ps.* 122.

Ad te levavi oculos meos, * qui habitas in cœlis.

Ecce sicut oculi servorum * in manibus dominorum suorum.

Sicut oculi ancillæ in manibus dominæ suæ : * ita oculi nostri ad Dominum Deum nostrum, donec misereatur nostri.

Miserere nostri, Domine, miserere nostri, * quia multum repleti sumus despectione.

Quia multum repleta est anima nostra, * opprobrium abundantibus, et despectio superbis.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Ant. Annuntiaverunt cœli nomen Mariæ, et viderunt omnes populi gloriam ejus.

V. Sit nomen Virginis Mariæ benedictum.

R. Ex hoc nunc et usque in sæculum.

Oremus.

Concede, quæsumus, omnipotens Deus, ut fideles tui, qui sub sanctissimæ Virginis Mariæ Nomine et protectione lætantur; ejus pia intercessione a cunctis malis liberentur in terris, et ad gaudia æterna pervenire mereantur in cœlis. Per Christum Dominum, &c.

(*Translation.*)

V. Blessed be the name of the Virgin Mary.

R. From henceforth and for evermore.

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that Thy faithful people, who rejoice in the name and protection of the most holy Virgin Mary, may by her loving intercession be delivered from all evils here on earth, and be made worthy to obtain eternal joy in the life to come. Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

105.

"AVE MARIA" FORTY TIMES, IN HONOUR OF THE SACRED DELIVERY.

The devotion commonly called "the Forty times *Ave Maria*" was devised by St. Catharine of Bologna, in order to dispose the faithful during Advent for the devout celebration of Christmas Day.

i. 100 DAYS, to the faithful, for each day that they practise this devotion.

ii. PLENARY, to those who shall have practised it for at least twenty days.

Order to be observed in this devotion, commencing Nov. 29 and ending Dec. 23.

OFFERING AND PRAYER TO BE SAID EVERY DAY.

In lowly reverence at thy feet we kneel, great Mother of our God, most holy Mary, advocate of sinners; humbly praying thee, by the merits of the precious blood of thy Divine Son, shed for us sinners, and by the intercession of thy well-beloved servant, Catharine, to gain for us by thy prayers true fervour of spirit in this holy exercise, and the grace to walk in the way of all thy virtues, after the example of St. Catharine, to the honour and glory of Jesus Christ, Thine only Son our Saviour. Forget our monstrous ingratitude, look not upon our sins, but rather find for us a refuge in the depths of thy loving kindness; and having regard to that love wherewith thou didst ever love thy faithful servant Catharine, obtain for us the remission of our sins, so that we may confidently hope to attain all that we desire for our spiritual wants. Amen.

For the first day.

In imitation of St. Catharine, we purpose now to praise the great Mother of our God, honouring her Sacred Delivery, and saying to her forty Angelical Salutations and forty Benedictions, thereby to obtain her powerful aid at the hour of our death, and a true contrition for our sins, that so we may pass from this land of our pilgrimage to eternal joys.

For the other days.

Let us continue to praise the great Mother of our God, honouring her Sacred Delivery with forty Angelical Salutations and forty Benedictions, to obtain thereby her powerful aid at the hour of our death, and true contrition for our sins, that so we may pass from this land of our pilgrimage to eternal joys.

For the last day.

To day we end this exercise praising the great Mother of our God, and honouring her Sacred Delivery, with forty Angelical Salutations and forty Benedictions, to obtain thereby her powerful aid at the hour of our death, and true contrition for our sins, that so we may pass from this land of our pilgrimage to eternal joys.

For the First Decade.

Whilst saying the first ten times *Ave Maria* and the ten Benedictions, we meditate on the ineffable

mystery of the Incarnation of the Eternal Word, and the great dignity of the Virgin who was elected to be the Mother of the Most High.

Ave Maria *ten times, and after each* Ave *say,*

Blessed be the hour, Mary, when thou didst become Mother of Jesus, Son of God.

For the Second Decade.

Whilst saying the second time *Ave Maria* ten times and the ten Benedictions, we meditate on the humility of the King of heaven, who chose for His birthplace a poor stable, and on the joy of Mary when first she saw the Only-begotten of the Father, the Fruit of her womb.

Ave Maria *ten times, and after each* Ave,

Blessed be the hour, Mary, when thou didst bring forth Jesus the Son of God.

For the Third Decade.

Whilst saying the third time *Ave Maria* ten times and the ten Benedictions, we contemplate the exact carefulness of Mary, as she fulfilled perfectly the parts both of Martha and of Magdalen, contemplating her Son as her Redeemer, and at the same time ministering to Him as her Child.

Ave Maria *ten times, and after each* Ave,

Blessed be the hour, Mary, when thou didst nourish at thy breast Jesus, Son of God.

For the Fourth Decade.

Whilst saying the fourth time *Ave Maria* ten times and the ten Benedictions, we meditate upon the great reverence with which Mary embraced and pressed to her very heart rather than to her bosom, kissed, and adored her God and ours, incarnate for love of us; and moved thereby with profound reverence and devout affection we say,

Ave Maria *ten times, and after each* Ave,

Blessed be that hour, Mary, when thou didst embrace Jesus, Son of God.

Then say,

Praise be to our God, because in imitation of St. Catharine we { have begun (*first day*) / are continuing (*other days*) / have ended (*last day*) } this holy exercise.

We beseech the Queen of Angels that for these our thousand Angelical Salutations and thousand Benedictions which we { are saying / have said (*last day*) } the Mother may obtain of the Infant which is born of her these two special blessings, viz., *the first*, in life, grace truly to repent of our sins; *the second*, in death, certainty of salvation. Wherefore let every one here present say heartily with St. Catherine:

Eja ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte; et Jesum benedictum fructum ventris tuæ nobis post hoc exilium ostende, O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

(*Translation.*

Come, then, most gracious Advocate, turn thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile show unto us the blessed Fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O merciful, O kind, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Then say the Litany B.M.V. (*p.* 169), *and then,*

V. Dignare me laudare te, Virgo sacrata.
R. Da mihi virtutem contra hostes tuos.

Oremus.

Deus, qui di beatæ Mariæ Virginis utero Verbum tuum, angelo nuntiante, carnem suscipere voluisti; præsta supplicibus tuis, ut qui vere eam Genitricem Dei credimus, ejus apud te intercessionibus adjuvemur.

Conscientias nostras, quæsumus, Domine, visitando purifica: ut veniens Jesus Christus Filius tuus Dominus noster, cum omnibus sanctis paratam sibi in nobis inveniat mansionem. Qui tecum vivit et regnat in sæcula sæculorum. *R.* Amen.

(*Translation.*)

V. Make me worthy to praise thee, Virgin ever blessed.

R. Give me strength against thine enemies.

Let us pray.

God, who by the message of an angel didst will that Thy Divine Word should take to Himself human flesh in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary; grant unto us Thy suppliants that we, who believe her to be verily and indeed Mother of God, may be aided by her intercession with Thee.

Visit us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, and purify our hearts; that our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son may, when He comes with all His saints, find a dwelling-place prepared for Himself within us. Who with Thee liveth and reigneth for ever and ever. *R.* Amen.

106.

PRAYER TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY AND ACT OF PRAISE.

i. 60 DAYS, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, to those who say it every day for a year, on each of the following three feasts of our Lady, viz., the Nativity, Assumption, and her Sacred Heart, provided they visit a church or altar dedicated to the Blessed Virgin, and pray for the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff.

iii. PLENARY, at the hour of death, to all who in life were accustomed to say this prayer every day.

THE PRAYER.

Heart of Mary, Mother of God, our Mother, Heart most amiable, on which the Adorable Trinity doth ever gaze with complacency, worthy of all the veneration and tenderness of angels and of men; Heart most like the Heart of Jesus, whose most

perfect image thou art; Heart full of goodness, ever compassionate towards our miseries—vouchsafe to thaw our icy hearts, that they may be wholly changed to the likeness of the Heart of Jesus. Infuse into them the love of thy virtues, inflame them with that blessed fire with which thou dost ever burn. In thee let the Holy Church find safe shelter; protect it and be its sweet asylum, its tower of strength, impregnable against every inroad of its enemies. Be thou the road leading to Jesus; be thou the channel whereby we receive all graces needful for our salvation. Be thou our help in need, our comfort in trouble, our strength in temptation, our refuge in persecution, our aid in all dangers; but especially in the last struggle of our life, at the moment of our death, when all hell shall be unchained against us to snatch away our souls: in that dread moment, that hour so terrible, whereon our eternity depends, ah, then most tender Virgin, make us feel how great is the tenderness of thy Mother's Heart, and how mighty thy power with the Heart of Jesus, opening to us a safe refuge in the very fount of mercy itself, that so we too may join with thee in Paradise in blessing that same Heart of Jesus for ever and for ever. Amen.

ACT OF PRAISE TO THE SS. HEARTS OF JESUS AND MARY.

May the Divine Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary be known, praised, blessed, loved, worshipped, and glorified always and in all places! Amen.

107.

EJACULATION, "SWEET HEART OF MARY," ETC.

i. 300 DAYS.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE EJACULATION.

Sweet Heart of Mary, be my salvation.

108.

PRAYERS FOR EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK, WITH "AVE MARIA" THRICE, TO BE SAID IN REPARATION FOR THE BLASPHEMIES UTTERED AGAINST MARY BY UNBELIEVERS AND BAD CHRISTIANS.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

PRAYER FOR SUNDAY.

Mother of my God, look down upon a poor sinner, who has recourse to thee, and puts his trust in thee. I am not worthy that thou shouldst even cast thine eyes upon me; but I know that thou, beholding Jesus thy Son dying for sinners, dost thyself yearn exceedingly to save them. O Mother of Mercy, look on my miseries and have pity upon me. Men say thou art the refuge of the sinner, the hope of the desperate, the aid of the lost; be thou, then, my refuge, hope, and aid. It is thy prayers which must save me. For the love of Jesus Christ be thou my help; reach forth thy hand to the poor

fallen sinner who recommends himself to thee. I know that it is thy joy to aid the sinner when thou canst; help me, then, thou who canst help. By my sins I have forfeited the grace of God and my own soul. I place myself in thy hands; oh, tell me what to do that I may regain the grace of God, and I will do it. My Saviour bids me go to thee for help; He wills that I should look to thy pity; that so, not only the merits of thy Son, but thine own prayers too, may unite to save me. To thee, then, I have recourse: pray thou to Jesus for me; and make me experience how great good thou canst do for one who trusts in thee. Be it done unto me according to my hope. Amen.

Then say thrice Ave Maria *to the Blessed Virgin Mary, in reparation for the blasphemies uttered against her.*

PRAYER FOR MONDAY.

Most holy Mary, Queen of Heaven, I who was once the slave of the Evil One now dedicate myself to thy service for ever; and I offer myself, to honour and to serve thee as long as I live. Accept me for thy servant, and cast me not away from thee as I deserve. In thee, O my Mother, I place all my hope. All blessing and thanksgiving be to God, who in His mercy giveth me this trust in thee. True it is, that in past time I have fallen miserably into sin; but by the merits of Jesus Christ, and by thy prayers, I hope that God has pardoned me. But this is not enough, my Mother. One thought appals me; it is, that I may yet lose the grace of God. Danger is ever nigh; the devil sleeps not;

fresh temptations assail me. Protect me, then, my Queen; help me against the assaults of my spiritual enemy. Never suffer me to sin again, or to offend Jesus thy Son. Let me not by sin lose my soul, heaven, and my God. This one grace, Mary, I ask of thee; this is my desire; this may thy prayers obtain for me. Such is my hope. Amen.

Ave Maria *thrice.*

PRAYER FOR TUESDAY.

Most holy Mary, Mother of Goodness, Mother of Mercy, when I reflect upon my sins and upon the moment of my death, I tremble and am confounded. O my sweetest Mother, in the Blood of Jesus, in thy intercession, are my hopes. Comforter of the sad, abandon me not at that hour; fail not to console me in that affliction. If even now I am so tormented by remorse for the sins I have committed, the uncertainty of my pardon, the danger of a relapse, and the strictness of the judgment, how will it be with me then? O my Mother, before death overtake me, obtain for me great sorrow for my sins, a true amendment, and constant fidelity to God for the remainder of my life. And when at length my hour is come, then do thou, Mary, my hope, be thyself my aid in those great troubles wherewith my soul will be encompassed. Strengthen me, that I may not despair when the enemy sets my sins before my face. Obtain for me at that moment grace to invoke thee often, so that with thine own sweet

name and that of thy most holy Son upon my lips I may breathe forth my spirit. This grace thou hast granted to many of thy servants; this, too, is my hope and my desire.

Ave Maria *thrice.*

PRAYER FOR WEDNESDAY.

Mother of God, most holy Mary, how often by my sins have I merited hell! Long ago, perhaps, judgment would have gone forth against my first mortal sin, hadst not thou in thy tender pity delayed the justice of God, and afterwards attracted me by thy sweetness to have confidence in thy prayers. And oh, how very often should I have fallen in the dangers which beset my steps hadst not thou, loving Mother that thou art, preserved me by the graces thou, by thy prayers, didst obtain for me. But oh, my Queen, what will thy pity and thy favours avail me if after all I perish in the flames of hell? If there was once a time when I loved thee not, yet now, next to God, I love thee before all. Wherefore, henceforth and for ever, suffer me not to turn my back upon thee and upon my God, who through thee has granted me so many mercies. O Lady, most worthy of all love, let it not be that I, thy child, should ever have to hate and to blaspheme for ever in hell. Thou wilt surely never endure to see thy servant lost who loves thee. O Mary, say not that I ever can be lost! Yet lost I shall assuredly be if I abandon thee. But who could ever have the heart to leave thee? Who can ever forget thy love?

No, it is impossible for that man to perish who faithfully recommends himself to thee, and has recourse to thee. Only leave me not, my Mother, in my own hands, or I am lost! Let me but cling to thee! Save me, my hope! save me from hell; or, rather, save me from sin, which alone can condemn me to hell.

Ave Maria *thrice.*

PRAYER FOR THURSDAY.

Queen of heaven, who sittest enthroned above all the choirs of the angels nighest to God, from this vale of miseries I, a poor sinner, say to thee, "Hail, Mary," praying thee in thy love to turn upon me those gracious eyes of thine. See, Mary, the dangers among which I dwell, and shall ever have to dwell whilst I live upon this earth. I may yet lose my soul, Paradise, and God. In thee, Lady, is my hope. I love thee; and I sigh after the time when I shall see thee and praise thee in Paradise. O Mary, when will that blessed day come that I shall see myself safe at thy feet? When shall I kiss that hand, which has dispensed to me so many graces? Alas, it is too true, my Mother, that I have ever been very ungrateful during my whole life; but if I get to Heaven, then I will love thee there every moment of a whole eternity, and make thee reparation in some sort for my ingratitude by ever blessing and praising thee. Thanks be to God, for that He hath vouchsafed me this hope through the precious Blood of Jesus, and through thy powerful intercession. This has been the

hope of all thy true lovers; and no one of them has been defrauded of his hope. No, neither shall I be defrauded of mine. O Mary, pray to thine own Son Jesus, as I too pray to Him, by the merits of His Passion, to strengthen and increase this hope. Amen.

Ave Maria *thrice.*

PRAYER FOR FRIDAY.

O Mary, thou art the noblest, highest, purest, fairest creature of God, the holiest of all creatures! O, that all men knew thee, loved thee, my Queen, as thou deservest to be loved! Yet great is my consolation, Mary, in that there are blessed souls in the courts of heaven, and just souls still on earth, whose hearts thou leadest captive with thy beauty and thy goodness. But above all I rejoice in this, that our God Himself loves thee alone more than all men and angels together. I too, O loveliest Queen, I, miserable sinner, dare to love thee, though my love is too little; I would I had a greater love, a more tender love; this thou must gain for me, since to love thee is a great mark of predestination, and a grace which God grants to those who shall be saved. Moreover, O my Mother, when I reflect upon the debt I owe thy Son, I see He deserves of me an immeasurable love. Do thou, then, who desirest nothing so much as to see Him loved, pray that I may have this grace—a great love for Jesus Christ. Obtain it, thou who obtainest what thou wilt. I covet not goods of earth, nor honours, nor riches, but I

desire that which thine own heart desires most—to love my God alone. O, can it be that thou wilt not aid me in a desire so acceptable to thee? No, it is impossible! Even now I feel thy help; even now thou prayest for me. Pray for me, Mary, pray; nor ever cease to pray, till thou dost see me safe in Paradise, where I shall be certain of possessing and of loving my God and thee, my dearest Mother, for ever and for ever. Amen.

Ave Maria *thrice.*

PRAYER FOR SATURDAY.

Most holy Mary, I know the graces which thou hast obtained for me, and I know the ingratitude which I have shown thee. The ungrateful man is unworthy of favours, and yet for all this I will not distrust thy mercy. O my great Advocate, have pity on me. Thou, Mary, art the stewardess of every grace which God vouchsafes to give us sinners, and therefore did He make thee so mighty, rich, and kind, that thou mightest succour us. I *will* that I may be saved: in thy hands I place my eternal salvation, to thee I consign my soul. I *will* to be associated with those who are thy special servants: reject me not. Thou goest up and down seeking the wretched, to console them. Cast not away, then, a wretched sinner who has recourse to thee. Speak for me, Mary; thy Son grants what thou askest. Take me beneath Thy shelter, and it is enough for me; for with thee to guard me I fear no ill—no, not even my sins, because thou wilt obtain God's pardon for them;

no, nor yet evil spirits, because thou art far mightier than hell; no, nor my Judge Jesus Christ, for at thy prayer He will lay aside His wrath. Protect me, then, my Mother; obtain for me pardon of my sins, love of Jesus, holy perseverance, a good death, and heaven. It is too true, I merit not these graces; yet do thou only ask them of our God and I shall obtain them. Pray, then, to Jesus for me. Mary, my Queen, in thee I trust; in this trust I rest, I live; and with this trust I *will* that I may die. Amen.

Ave Maria *thrice; then the Litany, B.M.V., p.* 169, *it being Saturday.*

109.

PRAYER, "MOTHER OF GOD," P. 193, ONCE, WITH THE "SALVE REGINA," P. 175, THREE TIMES.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

110.

PRAYER, "VIRGIN MOST HOLY," WITH "AVE MARIA," THRICE, ETC.

100 DAYS, once a day.

THE PRAYER.

Virgin most holy, Mother of the Word Incarnate, Treasurer of graces, Refuge of us poor sinners; we fly to thy maternal love with lively faith, and we ask thee to obtain for us grace ever to do

the will of God and thine own. Into thy most holy hands we commit the keeping of our hearts; beseeching thee for health of soul and body, in the certain hope that thou, our most loving Mother, wilt hear our prayer. Wherefore with lively faith we say,

Ave Maria *thrice.*

Oremus.

Defende, quæsumus, Domine, ab omni infirmitate, Beata Maria semper Virgine intercedente, famulos tuos; et toto corde tibi prostratos ab hostium propitius tuere clementer insidiis. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *R.* Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Let us pray.

Defend, O Lord, we beseech Thee, us Thy servants, through the intercession of the Blessed Mary ever-Virgin, from all infirmity both of body and soul; and mercifully protect from the snares of enemies those who, with their whole heart, prostrate themselves before Thee. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

111.

THREE PRAYERS, WITH AVE MARIA THRICE.

To ask the protection of the Blessed Virgin in the practise of every Christian virtue, and specially the virtue of chastity.

i. 300 DAYS.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE THREE PRAYERS.

i. Most Holy Virgin, I venerate thee with my whole heart above all angels and saints in Paradise, as the Daughter of the Eternal Father, and I consecrate to thee my soul with all its powers.

Ave Maria.

ii. Most Holy Virgin, I venerate thee with my whole heart above all angels and saints in Paradise, as the Mother of the Only-begotten Son, and I consecrate to thee my body with all its senses.

Ave Maria.

iii. Most Holy Virgin, I venerate thee with my whole heart above all angels and saints in Paradise, as the Spouse of the Holy Ghost, and I consecrate to thee my heart and all its affections, praying thee to obtain for me from the ever-blessed Trinity all that is necessary for my salvation.

Ave Maria.

112.

THE CHAPLET OF TWELVE STARS.

100 DAYS.

THE CHAPLET.

All praise and thanksgiving be to the ever-blessed Trinity, who hath shown unto us Mary, ever-Virgin, clothed with the sun, with the moon beneath her feet, and on her head a mystic crown of twelve stars.

R. For ever and ever. Amen.

Let us praise and give thanks to God the Father, who elected her for His daughter.

R. Amen.

Pater noster.

Praise be to God the Father, who predestined her to be the Mother of His Son.

R. Amen.

Ave Maria.

Praise be to God the Father, who preserved her from all stain in her conception.

R. Amen.

Ave Maria.

Praise be to God the Father, who on her birthday adorned her with His choicest gifts.

R. Amen.

Ave Maria.

Praise be to God the Father, who gave her Joseph for her pure spouse and companion.

R. Amen.

Ave Maria and *Gloria Patri.*

Let us praise and give thanks to God the Son, who chose her for His mother.

R. Amen.

Pater noster.

Praise be to God the Son, who became Incarnate in her womb, and abode there nine months.

R. Amen.

Ave Maria.

Praise be to God the Son, who was born of her, and was nourished at her breast.

R. Amen.

Ave Maria.

Praise be to God the Son, who in His childhood willed that Mary should teach Him.

R. Amen.

Ave Maria.

Praise be to God the Son, who revealed to her the mysteries of the redemption of the world.

R. Amen.

Ave Maria and *Gloria Patri.*

Let us praise and give thanks to God the Holy Ghost, who made her His spouse.

R. Amen.

Pater noster.

Praise be to God the Holy Ghost, who revealed to her first His name of Holy Ghost.

R. Amen.

Ave Maria.

Praise be to God the Holy Ghost, through whose operation she became at once Virgin and Mother.

R. Amen.

Ave Maria.

Praise be to God the Holy Ghost, through whom she became the living temple of the Most Holy Trinity.

R. Amen.

Ave Maria.

Praise be to God the Holy Ghost, by whom she was exalted in heaven high above all creatures.

R. Amen.

Ave Maria and *Gloria Patri.*

For the Holy Catholic Church, for the propagation of the faith, for peace among Christian princes, and for the uprooting of heresies, let us say,

Salve Regina, &c., p. 175.

113.

MONTH OF MAY.

i. 300 DAYS, for each day, to all who shall honour the Blessed Virgin during the month of May with prayer or other devotion.

ii. PLENARY, once in the month, to all who keep up this devotion every day during the month.

114.

PRAYER, "AVE AUGUSTISSIMA," FOR PEACE.

i. 300 DAYS.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

Ave, augustissima, Regina pacis, sanctissima Mater Dei, per Sacratissimum Cor Jesu Filii tui Principis Pacis fac ut quiescat ira ipsius et regnet super nos in pace. Memorare, O piissima Virgo Maria, non esse auditum a sæculo quemquam tua petentem suffragia esse derelictum. Ego tali animatus confidentia ad te venio. Noli, Mater Verbi, verba mea despicere; sed audi propitia, et exaudi, O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

Hail, thou that art most venerable, Queen of Peace, most holy Mother of God; through the Sacred Heart of Jesus, thy Son, the Prince of Peace, procure for us the cessation of His anger, that so He may reign over us in peace. Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that any one who sought thy prayers was forsaken by God. Inspired with this confidence, I come unto thee. Despise not my petitions, O Mother of the Incarnate Word; but in thy loving-kindness hear and answer me, O merciful, O kind, O sweet Virgin Mary.

115.

THE PRAYER, "MEMORARE."

i. 300 DAYS.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE PRAYER.

Memorare, O piissima Virgo Maria, non esse auditum a sæculo quemquam ad tua currentem præsidia, tua implorantem auxilia, tua petentem suffragia, esse derelictum. Ego tali animatus confidentia, ad te, Virgo virginum, Mater, curro, ad te venio, coram te gemens peccator assisto; noli, Mater Verbi, verba mea despicere, sed audi propitia, et exaudi. Amen.

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that any one who fled to thy

(*Translation.*)

My Queen! my Mother! I give thee all myself, and, to show my devotion to thee, I consecrate to thee this day my eyes, ears, mouth, heart, myself, wholly and without reserve. Wherefore, O loving Mother, as I am thine own, keep me, defend me, as thy property and thine own possession.

EJACULATION.

My Queen! my Mother! remember I am thine own.

Keep me, defend me, as thy property, thy own possession.

117.

PRAYER, "O BEATA VIRGO."

50 DAYS.

PRAYER.

O Beata Virgo Maria! Quis tibi digne valeat jura gratiarum, ac laudum præconia rependere, quæ singulari tuo assensu mundo succurristi perdito? Quas tibi laudes fragilitas humani generis persolvat, quæ solo tuo commercio recuperandi aditum invenit? Accipe itaque quascunque exiles, quascunque m[illegible]is tuis impares, gratiarum actiones, et [illegible]sceperis vota, culpas nostras orando exc[illegible]dmitte nostras preces intra sacrarium [illegible]uis, et reporta nobis antidotum reconciliatio[illegible]t per te excusabile quod per te ingerimus, [illegible]trabile quod fida mente poscimus. Ac[illegible]offerimus, redona quod rogamus,

excusa quod timemus, quia tu es spes unica peccatorum. Per te speramus veniam delictorum, et in te, beatissima, nostrorum est expectatio præmiorum. Sancta Maria, succurre miseris, juva pusillanimes, refove flebiles, ora pro populo, interveni pro clero, intercede pro devoto fœmineo sexu; sentiant omnes tuum juvamen quicunque celebrant tuam sanctam commemorationem. Assiste parata votis poscentium, et reporta nobis optatum effectum. Sint tibi studia assidua orare pro populo Dei, quæ meruisti, Benedicta, Redemptorem ferre mundi, qui vivit et regnat in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Mary, Virgin ever blessed! who can worthily praise thee or give thanks to thee, who, by that wondrous assent of thy will, didst rescue a fallen world? What honours can the weakness of our human nature pay to thee, which by thy intervention alone hath found the way to restoration? Accept, then, such poor thanks as we have here to offer, though they are unequal to thy merits; and, receiving our vows, obtain by thy prayers the remission of our offences. Carry thou our prayers within the sanctuary of the heavenly audience, and bring forth from it the medicine of our reconciliation. Through thee may those sins become pardonable the release from which through thee we ask of God, and that be granted which we demand with faithful heart. Accept what we offer, grant us what we seek, pardon us what we fear, for thou art the sole hope of sinners. Through thee we wait for the forgiveness of our faults, and in thee, most

blessed Virgin, is the hope of our reward. Holy Mary, succour the wretched, help the faint-hearted, comfort the sorrowful, pray for the people, shield the clergy, intercede for the devout female sex, let all feel thy help who celebrate thy holy commemoration. Be thou at hand, ready to aid our prayers, when we pray; and bring back to us the answers we desire. Make it thy care to intercede ever for the people of God—thou who, blessed of God, didst merit to bear the Redeemer of the world, who liveth and reigneth for ever and ever. Amen.

118.

LITTLE CHAPLET IN HONOUR OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE LITTLE CHAPLET.

V. Deus, in adjutorium meum intende.
R. Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina.
V. Gloria Patri, &c.
R. Sicut erat, &c.

i. Immaculate Virgin, who, conceived without sin, didst direct every movement of thy pure heart to God, ever the object of thy love, and who wast ever most submissive to His will, obtain for me the grace to hate sin with my whole heart, and to learn of thee to live in perfect resignation to the will of God.

Pater *once*, Ave *seven times*.

excusa quod timemus quia te es spes unica peccatorum. Per te speramus veniam delictorum, et in te beatissima nostrorum est expectatio praemiorum. Sancta Maria succurre miseris, juva pusillanimes, refove flebiles, ora pro populo, interveni pro clero, intercede pro devoto foeminei sexu; sentiant omnes tuum juvamen, quicunque celebrant tuam sanctam commemorationem. Assiste parata votis poscentium, et reporta nobis optatum effectum. Sint tibi studia assidua, orare pro populo Dei, quae meruisti, Benedicta, Redemptorem ferre mundi, cui vivit et regnat in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

(Translation.)

Mary, Virgin ever blessed! who can worthily praise thee or give thanks to thee, who, by that wondrous assent of thy will, didst rescue a fallen world? What honours can the weakness of our human nature pay to thee, which by thy intervention alone hath found the way to restoration? Accept, then, such poor thanks as we have here to offer, though they are unequal to thy merits; and, receiving our vows, obtain by thy prayers the remission of our offences. Carry thou [illegible] the sanctuary of the hea[illegible] forth from it the [illegible] Through thee [illegible] the release [illegible] God, and [illegible] faithful [illegible] what [illegible] art [illegible]

a holy patience to bear well the troubles and adversities of this miserable life, and, by crucifying my flesh with its desires in following the mortification of the cross, to show myself truly thy son.

Pater *once*, Ave *seven times;* Heart of Mary, *&c.*

v. O Mary, Mystic Rose, whose loving heart, burning with the living fire of charity, accepted us for thy sons at the foot of the cross, whereby thou didst become our most tender Mother; make me feel the sweetness of thy maternal heart, and thy power with Jesus in all the perils of this mortal life, and especially in the terrible hour of death, that so my heart, united with thine own, may love Jesus now and throughout all ages. Amen.

Pater *once*, Ave *seven times;* Heart of Mary, *&c.*

Let us entreat the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus to inflame us with His holy love.

O Divine Heart of Jesus, I consecrate myself to Thee, full of deep gratitude for the many blessings I have received, and daily receive, from Thy infinite charity. I thank Thee with my whole heart for having also vouchsafed to give me Thine own Mother to be my Mother, consigning me to her in the person of the beloved disciple. Grant unto me that my heart may ever burn with this love of Thee, and so may find in Thy most sweet Heart its peace, its refuge, and its happiness.

119.

LIVING ROSARY.

This is an association of fifteen persons, who distribute amongst themselves the fifteen Mysteries of the Rosary, obliging themselves to say daily, for the space of one month, one Decade of the Rosary, meditating on the Mystery which has fallen to them by lot.

i. PLENARY, to all members of this association, the first feast-day after their enrolment.

ii. ALL THE INDULGENCES GRANTED for saying the Rosary.

iii. 100 DAYS, every time a member says the portion of the Rosary assigned to him.

iv. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, to all who say it on Sunday, and on Feasts of Devotion, including those on which the hearing of Mass is not of obligation, and also the Octaves of Christmas, Easter, Corpus Christi, Whitsuntide, the Assumption, the Nativity, and Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin.

v. PLENARY, on the solemn festivals of the Nativity, Circumcision, Epiphany, Easter, Ascension, Corpus Christi, Whit Sunday, the Most Holy Trinity, as well as on all feasts of the Blessed Virgin Mary (including even the minor feasts).

120.

LITTLE CHAPLET IN HONOUR OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY EVER-VIRGIN.

i. 300 DAYS.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE LITTLE CHAPLET.

In the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

First Set of Beads.

Blessed be the Holy and Immaculate Conception of the most Blessed Virgin Mary.

Pater *once*, Ave *four times, and* Gloria *once.*

Second Set.

Blessed, &c., *as before.*

Pater, *&c., as before.*

Third Set.

Blessed, &c., *as before.*

Pater, *&c., as before.*

121.

PSALMS AND PRAYERS OF ST. BONAVENTURE IN HONOUR OF THE MOST HOLY VIRGIN, FOR EVERY DAY IN THE WEEK.

i. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, for reciting, in any language, the psalms and prayers for each day, according to the order of the days of the week, from the Book entitled "The Daily Tribute of loving Prayers and Praises for each day in the week to the Immaculate Mother of God, &c.; extracted from the works of the Seraphic Doctor, St. Bonaventure."

ii. PLENARY, on the accustomed conditions, on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and during its Octave, on the Feast of St. Joseph, of St. Bonaventure (July 14), and on any one day at pleasure during the month of May, to those of the faithful who, for one month previous to these days, shall have said the above-named Psalms and Prayers.

122.

LITTLE CHAPLET OF THE TWELVE PRIVILEGES OF THE MOST BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, COMPOSED BY ST. ANDREW AVELLINO.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE CHAPLET.

In Nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti. Amen.

V. Deus, in adjutorium meum intende.
R. Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina.
Gloria Patri, &c.

i. Hail to thee, purest, holiest Mother of Jesus. We humbly pray thee, by thy Predestination, whereby thou wast even from all eternity elected Mother of God; by thy Immaculate Conception, whereby thou wast conceived without stain of original sin; by thy most perfect resignation, whereby thou wast ever conformed to the will of God; and lastly by thy consummate holiness, whereby throughout thy whole life thou didst never commit one single fault: we pray thee to become our advocate with our Lord, that He may pardon so many sins of ours, which are the cause of His wrath. And Thou, O Father Almighty, by the merits of these privileges vouchsafed to this Thy well-beloved Daughter, hear her supplications for us, and pardon us, her clients.

Parce, Domine, parce populo tuo.
Spare, O Lord, spare Thy people.

Pater *once*, Ave *four times*, Gloria *once*.

V. Per sanctam Conceptionem tuam libera nos, glorioso Virgo Maria.

V. By thy holy Conception deliver us, glorious Virgin Mary.

ii. Hail to thee, purest, holiest Mother of Jesus. We humbly pray thee, by the most holy Annunciation, when thou didst conceive the Divine Word in thy womb; by thy most happy delivery, in which thou didst experience no pain; by thy perpetual virginity, which thou didst unite with the fruitfulness of a mother; and, lastly, by the bitter martyrdom which thou didst undergo in our Saviour's death: we pray thee to become our mediatrix, that we may reap the fruit of the precious death of thy Son. And Thou, O divine Son, by the merits of these privileges granted to Thy well-beloved Mother, hear her supplications, and pardon us, her clients.

Parce, Domine, parce populo tuo,
Spare, O Lord, spare Thy people.

Pater *once*, Ave *four times*, Gloria *once*.

V. Per sanctam Conceptionem tuam libera nos, gloriosa Virgo Maria.

V. By thy holy Conception deliver us, glorious Virgin Mary.

iii. Hail to thee, purest, holiest Mother of Jesus. We humbly pray thee, by the joys which thou didst feel in thy heart at the Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus Christ; by thy Assumption into Heaven, whereby thou wast exalted above all the

choirs of the angels; by the glory which God has given thee to be Queen of all saints; and, lastly, by that most powerful intercession, whereby thou art able to obtain all that thou dost desire: we pray thee obtain for us true love of God. And Thou, O Holy Spirit, by the merits of these privileges of Thy well-beloved Spouse, hear her supplications, and pardon us, her clients. Amen.

Parce, Domine, parce populo tuo.
Spare, O Lord, spare Thy people.

Pater *once*, Ave *four times*, Gloria *once*.

V. Per sanctam Conceptionem tuam libera nos, gloriosa Virgo Maria.

V. By thy holy Conception deliver us, glorious Virgin Mary.

Then, at will, the Litany of Loretto, *to gain another Indulgence of* 300 *days* (*see* p. 169).

Ant. Immaculata Conceptio tua, Dei Genitrix Virgo, gaudium annuntiavit universo mundo: ex te enim ortus est Sol Justitiæ, Christus Deus noster; qui, solvens maledictionem, dedit benedictionem, et, confundens mortem, donavit nobis vitam sempiternam.

V. In Conceptione tua, Virgo Maria, Immaculata fuisti.

R. Ora pro nobis Patrem, cujus Filium Jesum de Spiritu Sancto conceptum peperisti.

Oremus.

Deus misericordiæ, Deus pietatis, Deus indulgentiæ, qui misertus es super afflictionem populi

tui, et dixisti Angelo percutienti populum tuum, "Contine manum tuam;" ob amorem illius Matris gloriosæ, cujus ubera pretiosa contra venena nostrorum delictorum dulciter suxisti: præsta auxilium gratiæ tuæ, ut ab omni malo secure liberemur, et a totius perditionis incursu misericorditer salvemur. Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Ant. Thy Immaculate Conception, Virgin Mother of God, brought joy to the whole world, for of thee was born the Sun of Justice, Christ our God, who, loosing the curse, bestowed the blessing, and, confounding death, gave unto us eternal life.

V. In thy Conception, Virgin Mary, thou wast Immaculate.

R. Pray to the Father for us, whose Son Jesus, conceived by the Holy Ghost, thou didst bring forth.

Let us pray.

God of mercy, God of pity, God of tenderness, who, pitying the affliction of Thy people, didst say to the angel smiting them, "Withhold thy hand," for the love of Thy glorious Mother, at whose precious breast Thou didst sweetly find an antidote to the venom of our sins, bestow on us the help of Thy grace, that we may be freed from all evil, and mercifully protected from every onset of destruction. Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

123.

LITTLE OFFICE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

i. 300 DAYS.
ii. 100 DAYS, for Ant., *Hæc est Virga*, with Vers., *In Conceptione tua*, and Prayer, *Deus qui per Immaculatam*, &c., to be found at the end of the office, p. 231.

At Matins.

V. Eia, mea labia, nunc annunciate
R. Laudes et præconia virginis beatæ.
V. Domina, in adjutorium meum intende.
R. Me de manu hostium potenter defende.
V. Gloria Patri, &c. Alleluia.

From Septuagesima to Easter, instead of Alleluia, is said:

Laus tibi, Domine, Rex æternæ gloriæ.

HYMN.

Salve, mundi domina,
Cœlorum regina:
Salve, Virgo virginum,
Stella matutina.

Salve, plena gratia,
Clara luce divina:
Mundi in auxilium,
Domina festina.

Ab æterno Dominus
Te præordinavit
Matrem unigeniti
Verbi, quo creavit

123.

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At Matins.

V. Come, my lips, and wide proclaim
R. The blessed Virgin's spotless fame.
V. O Lady, make speed to befriend me.
R. From the hands of the enemy mightily defend me.
V. Glory be to the Father, &c. Alleluia.

From Septuagesima to Easter, instead of Alleluia, is said:

Praise be to Thee, O Lord, King of everlasting glory.

HYMN.

Hail, queen of the heavens!
Hail, mistress of earth!
Hail, Virgin most pure,
Of immaculate birth!

Clear star of the morning,
In beauty enshrined!
O Lady, make speed
To the help of mankind.

Thee God in the depth
Of eternity chose;
And formed thee all fair,
As His glorious spouse;

Terram, pontum, æthera :
Te pulchram ornavit
Sibi sponsam, quæ
In Adam non peccavit. Amen.

V. Elegit eam Deus, et præelegit eam.
R. In tabernaculo suo habitare fecit eam.
V. Domina, protege orationem meam.
R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus.

Sancta Maria, regina cœlorum, mater Domini nostri Jesu Christi, et mundi domina, quæ nullum, derelinquis, et nullum despicis : respice me domina, clementer oculo pietatis, et impetra mihi apud tuum dilectum Filium cunctorum veniam peccatorum : ut qui nunc tuum sanctam et immaculatam conceptionem devoto affectu recolo, æternæ in futurum beatitudinis, bravium capiam, ipso, quem virgo peperisti, donante Domino nostro Jesu Christo : qui cum Patre et Sancto Spiritu vivit et regnat, in Trinitate perfecta, Deus, in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

V. Domina, protege orationem meam.
R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.
V. Benedicamus Domino.
R. Deo gratias.
V. Fidelium animæ per misericordiam Dei requiescant in pace.
R. Amen.

And called thee His Word's
Own Mother to be,
By whom He created
The, earth, sky, and sea. Amen.

V. God elected her, and pre-elected her.
R. He made her to dwell in His tabernacle.
V. O Lady, aid my prayer.
R. And let my cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

Holy Mary, Queen of Heaven, Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, and mistress of the world, who forsakest no one, and despisest no one: look upon me, O Lady, with an eye of pity, and entreat for me, of thy beloved Son, the forgiveness of all my sins; that, as I now celebrate, with devout affection, thy Holy and Immaculate Conception, so, hereafter, I may receive the prize of eternal blessedness, by the grace of Him whom thou, in virginity, didst bring forth, Jesus Christ our Lord. Who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, in perfect Trinity, God, world without end. Amen.

V. O Lady, aid my prayer.
R. And let my cry come unto thee.
V. Let us bless the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.
V. May the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!
R. Amen.

At Prime.

V. Domina, in adjutorium meum intende.
R. Me de manu hostium potenter defende.
V. Gloria Patri, &c. Alleluia.

HYMN.

Salve, virgo sapiens,
Domus Deo dicata,
Columna septemplici
Mensaque exornata.

Ab omni contagio
Mundi præservata:
Ante sancta in utero
Parentis, quam nata.

Tu mater viventium,
Et porta es sanctorum:
Nova stella Jacob,
Domina angelorum.

Zabulo terribilis
Acies castrorum;
Porta et refugium
Sis christianorum. Amen.

V. Ipse creavit illam in Spiritu Sancto.
R. Et effudit illam super omnia opera sua;
V. Dómina protege, &c.

(*Cum oratione ut supra*, p. 218).

At Tierce.

V. Domina, in adjutorium, &c.

At Prime.

V. O Lady, make speed to befriend me.

R. From the hands of the enemy mightily defend me.

V. Glory be to the Father, &c. Alleluia.

HYMN.

Hail, Virgin most wise!
Hail, Deity's shrine,
With seven fair pillars
And table divine!

Preserved from the guilt
Which hath come on us all;
Exempt, in the womb,
From the taint of the fall.

O new star of Jacob,
Of angels the queen!
O gate of the saints!
O mother of men!

To Zabulon fearful
As th' embattled array!
Be thou of the faithful
The refuge and stay. Amen.

V. The Lord Himself created her in the Holy Ghost.

R. And poured her out over all His works.

V. O Lady, aid, &c.

(*With the prayer as above*, p. 219.)

At Tierce.

V. O Lady, make speed, &c.

HYMN.

Salve, arca fœderis,
Thronus Salomonis,
Arcus pulcher aetheris,
Rubus visionis :
Virga frondens germinis :
Vellus Gedeonis :
Porta clausa numinis,
Favusque Samsonis.

Decebat tam nobilem
Natum præcavere
Ab originali
Labe matris Evæ,
Almam quam elegerat,
Genitricem vere,
Nulli prorsus sinens
Culpæ subjacere. Amen.

V. Ego in altissimis habito.
R. Et thronus meus in columna nubis.
V. Domina protege, &c.

(*Cum oratione ut supra*, p. 218.)

At Sext.

V. Domina, in adjutorium, &c.

HYMN.

Salve, virgo puerpera,
Templum Trinitatis,
Angelorum gaudium,
Cella puritatis :

HYMN.

Hail, Solomon's throne !
Pure ark of the law !
Fair rainbow and bush,
Which the patriarch saw !
Hail, Gedeon's fleece !
Hail, blossoming rod !
Samson's sweet honeycomb !
Portal of God !

Well fitting it was
That a Son so divine
Should preserve from all touch
Of original sin,
Nor suffer by smallest
Defect to be stained,
That Mother, whom he
For Himself had ordained. Amen.

V. I dwell in the highest.
R. And my throne is on the pillar of the clouds.
V. O Lady, aid, &c.

(*With the prayer as above*, p. 219.)

At Sext.

V. O Lady, make speed, &c.

HYMN.

Hail, virginal mother !
Hail, purity's cell !
Fair shrine, where the Trinity
Loveth to dwell !

Solamen mœrentium,
Hortus voluptatis :
Palma patientiæ,
Cedrus castitatis.

Terra es benedicta
Et sacerdotalis,
Sancta et immunis
Culpæ originalis.

Civitas altissimi,
Porta orientalis :
In te est omnis gratia,
Virgo singularis. Amen.

V. Sicut lilium inter spinas.
R. Sic amica mea inter filias Adæ.
V. Domina, protege, &c.

(*Cum oratione ut supra*, p. 218.)

At None.

V. Domina, in adjutorium, &c.

HYMN.

Salve, urbs refugii,
Turrisque munita
David, propugnaculis
Armisque insignita.

In conceptione
Charitate ignita,
Draconis potestas
Est a te contrita.

Hail, garden of pleasure!
Celestial balm!
Cedar of chastity!
Martyrdom's palm!

Thou land set apart
Frôm uses profane,
And free from the curse
Which in Adam began.

Thou city of God!
Thou gate of the east!
In thee is all grace,
O joy of the blest! Amen.

V. As the lily among the thorns;
R. So is my beloved among the daughters of Adam.
V. O Lady, aid, &c.

(*With the prayer as above*, p. 219.)

At None.

V. O Lady, make speed, &c.

HYMN.

Hail, city of refuge!
Hail, David's high tower,
With battlements crowned
And girded with power!

Filled at thy Conception
With love and with light,
The dragon by thee
Was shorn of his might.

O mulier fortis,
Et invicta Judith!
Pulchra Abisag virgo,
Verum fovens David!

Rachel curatorem
Aegypti gestavit:
Salvatorem mundi
Maria portavit. Amen.

V. Tota pulchra es, amica mea.
R. Et macula originalis nunquam fuit in te.
V. Domina, protege, &c.

(*Cum oratione ut supra*, p. 218.)

At Vespers.

V. Domina, in adjutorium, &c.

HYMN.

Salve, horologium,
Quo retrograditur
Sol in decem lineis;
Verbum incarnatur.

Homo ut ab inferis
Ad summa attollatur,
Immensus ab angelis
Paulo minoratur.

Solis hujus radiis
Maria coruscat;
Consurgens aurora
In conceptu micat.

O woman most valiant!
O Judith thrice blessed!
As David was nursed
In fair Abisag's breast;

As the saviour of Egypt
Upon Rachel's knee,
So the world's great Redeemer
Was cherished by thee. Amen.

V. Thou art all fair, my beloved.
R. And the original stain was never in thee.
V. O Lady, aid, &c.

(*With the prayer as above*, p. 219.)

At Vespers.

V. O Lady, make speed, &c.

HYMN.

Hail, dial of Achaz!
On thee the true sun
Told backward the course
Which from old he had run.

And that man might be raised,
Submitting to shame,
A little more low
Than the angels became.

Thou, rapt in the blaze
Of his infinite light,
Dost shine as the morn
On the confines of night;

Lilium inter spinas,
Quæ serpentis conterat
Caput; pulchra ut luna
Errantes collustrat. Amen.

V. Ego feci in cœlis, ut oriretur lumen indeficiens.
R. Et quasi nebula texi omnem terram.
V. Domina, protege, &c.

(*Cum oratione ut supra*, p. 218.)

At Compline.

V. Convertat nos, Domina, tuis precibus, placatus Jesus Christus Filius tuus.
R. Et avertat iram suam a nobis.
V. Domina, in adjutorium meum intende.
R. Me de manu hostium potenter defende.
V. Gloria Patri, &c.

HYMN.

Salve, virgo florens,
Mater illibata,
Regina clementiæ,
Stellis coronata.

Super omnes angelos
Pura, immaculata,
Atque ad regis dexteram
Stans veste de aurata.

As the moon on the lost
Through obscurity dawns;
The serpent's destroyer,
A lily 'mid thorns. Amen.

V. I made an unfailing light to arise in heaven.
R. And as a mist I overspread the whole earth.
V. O Lady, aid, &c.

(*With the prayer as above*, p. 219.)

At Compline.

V. May Jesus Christ, thy Son, reconciled by thy prayers, O Lady, convert our hearts.
R. And turn away His anger from us.
V. O Lady, make speed to befriend me.
R. From the hands of the enemy mightily defend me.
V. Glory be to the Father, &c.

HYMN.

Hail, Mother most pure!
Hail, Virgin renowned!
Hail, Queen, with the stars
As a diadem crowned.

Above all the angels
In glory untold,
Standing next to the King
In a vesture of gold.

Per te, mater gratiæ,
Dulces spes reorum,
Fulgens stella maris,
Portus naufragorum.

Potens cœli janua,
Salus infirmorum,
Videamus regem
In aula sanctorum. Amen.

V. Oleum effusum, Maria, nomen tuum.
R. Servi tui dilexerunt te nimis.
V. Domina protege, &c.

(*Cum oratione ut supra*, p. 218.)

Supplices offerimus
Tibi, virgo pia,
Hæc laudum præconia:
Fac nos ut in via
Ducas cursu prospero;
Et in agonia
Tu nobis assiste,
O dulcis Maria.

R. Deo gratias.

PRECES POST OFFICIUM IMMACULATÆ CONCEPTIONIS MARIÆ AD LIBITUM RECITANDÆ.

Tota pulchra es, Maria. Et macula originalis non est in te. Tu gloria Jerusalem. Tu lætitia Israel. Tu honorificentia populi nostri. Tu advocata peccatorum. O Maria! O Maria! Virgo prudentissima. Mater clementissima. Ora pro nobis. Intercede pro nobis ad Dominum Jesum Christum.

O mother of mercy!
O star of the wave!
O hope of the guilty!
O light of the grave!

Through thee may we come
To the haven of rest!
And see Heaven's King
In the courts of the blest! Amen.

V. Thy name, O Mary, is as oil poured out.
R. Thy servants have loved thee exceedingly.
V. O Lady, aid, &c.

(*With the prayer as above*, p. 219.)

These praises and prayers
I lay at thy feet,
O Virgin of virgins!
O Mary most sweet!
Be thou my true guide
Through this pilgrimage here,
And stand by my side
When death draweth near.

R. Thanks be to God.

PRAYERS WHICH MAY BE SAID AFTER THE OFFICE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

Thou art all fair. And the stain of original sin is not in thee. Thou art the glory of Jerusalem. Thou art the joy of Israel. Thou art the honour of our people. Thou art the advocate of sinners. O Mary! O Mary! Virgin most prudent. Mother most clement. Pray for us. Intercede for us with our Lord Jesus Christ.

Ant. Immaculata conceptio tua, Dei genitrix virgo, gaudium annuntiavit universo mundo; ex te enim ortus est sol justitiæ, Christus Deus noster, qui solvens maledictionem, dedit benedictionem, et confundens mortem donavit nobis vitam sempiternam.

Loco prædictarum precum, "Tota pulchra," *et Ant.*, "Immaculata conceptio tua," *potest substitui*:

Ant. Hæc est virga in qua nec nodus originalis, nec cortex actualis culpæ fuit.

V. In conceptione tua virgo immaculata fuisti.

R. Ora pro nobis Patrem, cujus Filium peperisti.

Oremus.

Deus qui per immaculatam virginis conceptionem dignum Filio tuo habitaculum præparasti: quæsumus, ut qui ex morte ejusdem Filii tui prævisa eam ab omni labe præservasti, nos quoque mundos ejus intercessione ad te pervenire concedas. Per eumdem Christum Nominum nostrum.

R. Amen.

Ant. Thy Immaculate Conception, Virgin Mother of God, brought joy to the whole world; for out of thee arose the Sun of Justice, Christ our God, who, lifting the curse from us, brought us blessings; and, putting death to flight, gave us life eternal.

Instead of the above-mentioned prayers, "Thou art all fair," *and the Ant.,* "Thy Immaculate Conception," *the following may be said:*

Ant. This is the rod in which was neither knot of original sin, nor rind of actual guilt.

V. In thy conception, O Virgin! thou wast immaculate.

R. Pray for us to the Father, whose Son thou didst bring forth.

Let us pray.

O God, who, by the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin, didst prepare a worthy habitation for Thy Son: we beseech Thee that, as in view of the death of that Son, Thou didst preserve her from all stain of sin, so Thou wouldst enable us, being made pure by her intercession, to come unto Thee. Through the same Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

124.

EJACULATION.

100 DAYS, once a day.

O Mary, who didst come into this world free from stain! obtain of God for me that I may leave it without sin.

125.

SEVEN SUNDAYS IN HONOUR OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

i. PLENARY, on last of seven Sundays.

ii. SEVEN YEARS, on each Sunday.

iii. 300 DAYS, for evening visit, and for every day of the Novena in honour of the Immaculate Conception, made either at the beginning or at the end of the seven Sundays.

126.

PRAYER, "O EXCELLENTISSIMA."

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, once a month, on the last day, or one of two succeeding days.

O excellentissima, gloriosissima atque sanctissima semper intemerata virgo Maria, mater Domini nostri Jesu Christi, regina mundi et totius creaturæ domina, quæ nullum derelinquis, nullum despicis, nullum qui ad te puro et humili corde recurrit desolatum dimittis, noli me despicere propter innumerabilia et gravissima peccata mea, noli me derelinquere propter duritiam et immunditiam cordis mei; ne abjicias me famulum tuum a gratia

tua et amore tuo. Exaudi me miserum peccatorem in tua misericordia et pietate confidentem, succurre mihi, piissima virgo Maria, in omnibus tribulationibus, angustiis et necessitatibus meis, et impetra mihi a dilecto Filio tuo, omnipotente Deo et Domino nostro Jesu Christo, indulgentiam et remissionem omnium peccatorum meorum et gratiam timoris et amoris tui, sanitatem quoque et castitatem corporis, et liberationem ab omnibus malis et periculis animæ et corporis.

In extremis meis esto mihi pia auxiliatrix et animam meam ac animas omnium, parentum meorum, fratrum, sororum, et amicorum, consanguineorum et benefactorum meorum omniumque fidelium vivorum et defunctorum ab æterna caligine et ab omni malo libera, illo auxiliante, quem in tuo sanctissimo utero novem mensibus portasti et in præsepe tuis sanctis manibus reclinasti, Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum Filium tuum, qui est benedictus in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

O most excellent, glorious, most holy and ever inviolate blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, queen of the world, and mistress of all creatures! Thou who forsakest no one, despisest no one, who leavest in sadness none who seek help at thy hands with pure and lowly hearts; do not abandon me because of the number and hatefulness of my sins, nor on account of the hardness and uncleanness of my heart. Do not refuse me, thy servant, a share in thy favour and thy love. Hear

me, a wretched sinner, who trusts in thy mercy and pity. Help me, O most loving Virgin Mary, in all my perils and needs, and obtain for me from thy beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, the forgiveness of all my sins, the grace of the fear and love of thee, chastity in body, and deliverance from all the dangers which beset both soul and body.

In the last moments of my life be thou my kind helper, and save from eternal darkness, and from evil of every kind, my poor soul, and the souls of my parents, brothers, sisters, friends, relatives, and benefactors, together with the souls of all the faithful, both living and dead; through the grace of Him whom for nine months thou didst bear in thy most holy womb, and whom thou didst place with thy holy hands in the manger, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom be all honour given for endless ages. Amen.

127.

PRAYER TO BE SAID BEFORE AN IMAGE OR PICTURE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.

i. 300 DAYS.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

Most holy and Immaculate Virgin! O my mother! thou who art the Mother of my Lord, the queen of the world, the advocate, hope, and refuge of sinners! I, the most wretched among them, now come to thee. I worship thee, great queen, and give thee thanks for the many favours thou hast bestowed on me in the past. Most of all do I thank thee for having saved me from hell, which I

had so often deserved. I love thee, Lady, most worthy of all love; and by the love which I bear thee, I promise ever in the future to serve thee, and to do what in me lies to win others to thy love. In thee I put all my trust, all my hope of salvation. Receive me as thy servant, and cover me with the mantle of thy protection, thou who art the mother of mercy. And since thou hast so much power with God, deliver me from all temptations, or at least obtain for me the grace ever to overcome them. From thee I ask a true love of Jesus Christ, and the grace of a happy death. O my mother, by thy love for God, I beseech thee to be at all times my helper; but, above all, at the last moment of my life. Leave me not until you see me safe in heaven, there for endless ages to bless thee, and sing thy praises. Amen.

128.

PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF PITY.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

Kneeling at thy holy feet, O gracious Queen of Heaven, we offer thee our deepest reverence. We confess that thou art the daughter of the Eternal Father, the Mother of the Divine Word, and the spouse of the Holy Ghost. Full of grace, of virtue, and of heavenly gifts, thou art the chaste temple of the Holy Trinity. With thee are treasured God's mercies, and thou, too, dost dispense them. And since thy loving heart is filled with charity,

sweetness, and tender compassion for us poor sinners, we call thee Mother of Holy Pity. With the greatest trust, then, do I come to thee in my sorrow and distress. I beg thee to give me an assurance of thy love, by granting me . . . if it be God's will, and for the welfare of my soul. Cast, then, thine eyes of pity upon me and upon all my kindred. That I may not perish, shield me from the attacks of the world, the flesh and the devil, which continually assail me. Remember, O fondest of mothers, that we are thy children, purchased with the precious Blood of thy Divine Son. Pray without ceasing, that the adorable Trinity may give us the grace ever to be victorious over the devil, the world, and our own unhallowed passions: that grace by which the just grow in holiness, sinners are converted, and heresy destroyed; by which unbelievers are enlightened, and Jews brought to the true religion. Bestow upon us this boon, O most pure Virgin, through the infinite bounty of the Most High, through the merits of thy Son, by the care with which thou didst nourish Him, by the devotion with which thou didst serve Him, by the love with which thou didst cherish Him, by thy tears and anguish endured by thee in His holy passion. Obtain for us the great favour that the whole world may be made one people and one church, to give thanks, praise, and glory to the most Holy Trinity, and to thee who art its mediator.

May the power of the Father, the wisdom of the Son, and the virtue of the Holy Ghost, grant us this blessing! Amen.

129.

PRAYER.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, once a month, on last day of the month, or within eight days.

Virgin Mother of God, most holy Mary, safe refuge of sinners! to thee, who art, after God, our hope and consolation in this place of exile, to thee I have recourse with sincere confidence, though most undeserving of thy patronage. I know, on the one hand, how much I stand in need of being converted from my very heart; yet, on the other, the heinousness of my crimes strikes me with terror. To thee, then, I betake myself—to thee who art our sovereign mediator with thy dear Son Jesus, as He is with His eternal Father. To thee, after Jesus, must I look for my amendment. Vouchsafe then, O mother of mercy, to obtain for me the grace of a true and lasting conversion. I wish to change my life entirely. In this I am sincere; but my evil habits and the ill use I have made of so many saving inspirations, the multitude and heinousness of my sins, and the bonds by which the world holds me, while they render amendment difficult, call for thy special assistance. Grant it to me in spite of my unworthiness. In thee I trust; do thou not reject me. Although deserving of eternal punishment, I throw myself at thy feet, sorrowful and repentant. My sins, I own, have taken from me the strength which grace imparts, have cast me out from among the adopted sons of God, have deprived

me of the right to everlasting happiness, and drawn on me instead, the wrath of heaven. Tell me what I must do to regain the friendship of thy Son Jesus. Beg of Him, by His precious Blood, His bitter passion, and cruel death on the cross, to pardon my offences, and He will pardon them. Tell Him thy desire for my salvation, and He will save me. But as I can still fall into sin and lose the life of grace amid the dangers which encompass me, ever watch thou over me, and I shall surely triumph over the enemies who incessantly work for my ruin. Instil into my heart a lively faith, a firm hope, an ardent charity, and all the virtues suitable to my state of life; and obtain for me, constancy in good, and final perseverance. In fine, be thou my loving mother here below, and my advocate at the hour of death, that I may be of the number of those to whom thy Divine Son shall say, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, possess the kingdom prepared for you." Amen.

130.

PRAYERS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR.

100 DAYS, once a day, for each of the three prayers.

i. Behold at thy feet, O Mother of Perpetual Succour, a wretched sinner who has recourse to thee, and confides in thee. O mother of mercy, have pity on me. I hear thee called by all, the refuge and the hope of sinners: be, then, my refuge, and my hope. Assist me, for the love of Jesus Christ; stretch forth thy hand to a miserable fallen creature who recommends himself to thee, and who

devotes himself to thy service for ever. I bless and thank Almighty God, who in mercy has given me this confidence in thee, which I hold to be a pledge of my eternal salvation. It is true that in the past I have miserably fallen into sin, because I had not recourse to thee. I know that, with thy help, I shall conquer. I know, too, that thou wilt assist me, if I recommend myself to thee; but I fear that, in time of danger, I may neglect to call on thee, and thus lose my soul. This grace, then, I ask of thee, and this I beg, with all the fervour of my soul, that, in all the attacks of hell, I may ever have recourse to thee. O Mary, help me. O Mother of Perpetual Succour, never suffer me to lose my God.

ii. O Mother of Perpetual Succour, grant that I may ever invoke thy most powerful name, which is the safeguard of the living, and the salvation of the dying. O purest Mary! O sweetest Mary! let thy name henceforth be ever on my lips. Delay not, O blessed Lady, to succour me, whenever I call on thee; for, in all my temptations—in all my needs, I shall never cease to call on thee, ever repeating thy sacred name, Mary—Mary. O what consolation, what sweetness, what confidence, what emotion, fills my soul when I utter thy sacred name, or even only think of thee! I thank the Lord for having given thee, for my good, so sweet, so powerful, so lovely a name. But I will not be content with merely uttering thy name. Let my love for thee prompt me ever to hail thee, Mother of Perpetual Succour.

iii. O Mother of Perpetual Succour, thou art the dispenser of all the gifts which God grants to us miserable sinners; and for this end He has made thee so powerful, so rich, and so bountiful, in order that thou mayest help us in our misery. Thou art the advocate of the most wretched and abandoned sinners who have recourse to thee: come to my aid; I commend myself to thee. In thy hands I place my eternal salvation, and to thee I entrust my soul. Count me among thy most devoted servants; take me under thy protection, and it is enough for me. For, if thou protect me, I fear nothing; not from my sins, because thou wilt obtain for me the pardon of them; nor from the devils, because thou art more powerful than all hell together; nor even from Jesus, my Judge, because by one prayer from thee He will be appeased. But one thing I fear: that, in the hour of temptation, I may through negligence fail to have recourse to thee, and thus perish miserably. Obtain for me, therefore, the pardon of my sins, love for Jesus, final perseverance, and the grace ever to have recourse to thee, O Mother of Perpetual Succour.

MARY SORROWING.

131.

THE HYMN, "STABAT MATER," IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY'S SORROWS.

100 DAYS.

Stabat Mater dolorosa
Juxta crucem lacrymosa
Dum pendebat Filius.
Cujus animam gementem,
Contristatam et dolentem,
Pertransivit gladius.

O quam tristis et afflicta
Fuit illa benedicta
Mater Unigeniti!
Quæ mœrebat, et dolebat,
Pia Mater dum videbat
Nati pœnas incliti.

Quis est homo qui non fleret,
Matrem Christi si videret
In tanto supplicio?
Quis non posset contristari
Christi Matrem contemplari
Dolentem cum Filio.

Pro peccatis suæ gentis
Vidit Jesum in tormentis,
Et flagellis subditum.
Vidit suum dulcem Natum
Moriendo desolatum,
Dum emisit spiritum.

Eja Mater, fons amoris,
Me sentire vim doloris
  Fac, ut tecum lugeam.
Fac, ut ardeat cor meum
In amando Christum Deum,
  Ut sibi complaceam.

Sancta Mater, istud agas,
Crucifixi fige plagas
  Cordi meo valide.
Tui Nati vulnerati,
Tam dignati pro me pati,
  Pœnas mecum divide.

Fac me tecum pie flere,
Crucifixo condolere,
  Donec ego vixero.
Juxta crucem tecum stare,
Et me tibi sociare
  In planctu desidero.

Virgo Virginum præclara
Mihi jam non sis amara,
  Fac me tecum plangere.
Fac, ut portem Christi mortem,
Passionis fac consortem,
  Et plagas recolere.

Fac me plagis vulnerari,
Fac me cruce inebriari,
  Et cruore Filii.
Flammis ne urar succensus,
Per te, Virgo, sim defensus
  In die judicii.

Christe, cum sit hinc exire,
Da per Matrem me venire
Ad palmam victoriæ.
Quando corpus morietur,
Fac ut animæ donetur
Paradisi gloria. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

At the cross her station keeping,
Stood the mournful Mother weeping,
Close to Jesus to the last:
Through her heart, His sorrow sharing,
All His bitter anguish bearing,
Now at length the sword had passed.

Oh, how sad and sore distressed
Was that Mother, highly blest,
Of the sole-begotten One!
Christ above in torment hangs;
She beneath beholds the pangs
Of her dying glorious Son.

Is there one who would not weep,
'Whelmed in miseries so deep,
Christ's dear Mother to behold?
Can the human heart refrain
From partaking in her pain,
In that Mother's pain untold?

Bruised, derided, cursed, defiled,
She beheld her tender Child,
All with bloody scourges rent;
For the sins of His own nation,
Saw Him hang in desolation
Till His spirit forth He sent.

O thou Mother! fount of love!
Touch my spirit from above,
Make my heart with thine accord;
Make me feel as thou hast felt;
Make my soul to glow and melt
With the love of Christ my Lord.

Holy Mother! pierce me through;
In my heart each wound renew
Of my Saviour crucified;
Let me share with thee His pain,
Who for all my sins was slain,
Who for me in torment died.

Let me mingle tears with thee,
Mourning Him who mourned for me,
All the days that I may live:
By the cross with thee to stay;
There with thee to weep and pray,
Is all I ask of thee to give.

Virgin of all virgins best!
Listen to my fond request:
Let me share thy grief divine;
Let me to my latest breath
In my body bear the death
Of that dying Son of thine.

Wounded with His every wound,
Steep my soul till it hath swooned
In His very Blood away;
Be to me, O Virgin, nigh,
Lest in flames I burn and die
In His awful judgment day.

Christ, when Thou shalt call me hence,
Be Thy Mother my defence,
Be Thy cross my victory:
While my body here decays,
May my soul Thy goodness praise
Safe in Paradise with Thee.

132.

CHAPLET OF THE SEVEN DOLOURS.

This Chaplet consists of seven divisions, in memory of our Lady's seven sorrows, on which we are to meditate as well as we can, saying the *Pater* once and *Ave* seven times at each division, then ending with *Ave* thrice in honour of our Lady's tears.

i. 200 DAYS, for every *Pater*, and the same or every *Ave*, to every one who, having Confessed and Communicated, or at least made a firm resolution to Confess, should say this Chaplet in the Churches of the Order of the Servants of Mary.

ii. 200 DAYS, to all who say it anywhere on Fridays during Lent, or on the Feast and during the Octave of the Seven Dolours.

iii. 100 DAYS, for performing this exercise out of Church, on any day of the year.

iv. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, to any one who says this Chaplet, either alone or in company with others.

v. PLENARY, to every one who shall say this Chaplet daily for a month.

vi. 100 YEARS, every time, to all who say this Chaplet, being truly penitent and having confessed or having at least made a firm resolution to confess, their sins.

vii. 150 YEARS, every Monday, Wednesday, Saturday, and Feast of Obligation of the Holy Church, after Confession and Communion, to those who say this Chaplet about with them.

viii. PLENARY, to all who say it four times a week, on any one day in the year when they say the Chaplet.

ix. 200 YEARS also, to those who shall say it devoutly after their Confession.

x. TEN YEARS, to those who keep one of these Chaplets about them, and are in the habit of saying it frequently, every time that, after Confession and Communion, they shall hear Mass, be present at a sermon, accompany the Blessed Sacrament to the sick, make peace between enemies, bring sinners to Confession, &c.; or whenever, saying at the same time the *Pater* and *Ave* seven times, they shall do any spiritual or temporal good work in honour of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Blessed Virgin, or their Patron Saint.

N.B.—It is requisite, in order to gain these Indulgences, that these Chaplets should be blessed by the Superiors of the Order of the Servants of Mary, or by other priests of the Order deputed by them; and when blessed, they cannot be sold or lent, for the purpose of communicating these Indulgences to others, as in that case they would lose the Indulgences; and in order to gain Indulgences vi. and vii., the Chaplet must have been received direct from a religious of the Order of the Servants of Mary.

WAY OF SAYING THE CHAPLET.

Act of Contrition.

O my Lord, Thou who alone art most worthy of my love, behold me standing before Thy Divine Presence utterly overwhelmed by the thought of the many grievous injuries I have done Thee. I ask Thy pardon for them with my whole heart, repenting of them purely for love of Thee, and at the thought of Thy great goodness hating and loathing them above every other evil of this life. As I would rather have died a thousand times than have offended Thee, so now I am most firmly resolved to lose my life rather than offend Thee again. My crucified Jesus, I firmly purpose to

cleanse my soul as soon as possible by Thy most Precious Blood in the Sacrament of Penance. And Thou, most tender Virgin, Mother of Mercy and Refuge of sinners, do thou obtain for me the pardon of sin by virtue of thy bitter pains; whilst, praying according to the mind of so many holy Pontiffs in order to obtain the Indulgences granted to this thy holy Rosary, I hope thereby to obtain remission of all pains due to my sins.

i. With this confidence in my heart, I meditate on the *First* Sorrow, when Mary, Virgin Mother of my God, presented Jesus her only Son in the Temple, laid Him in the arms of holy and aged Simeon, and heard his prophetic word, "This shall be a sword of pain piercing thine own heart," foretelling thereby the Passion and Death of her Son Jesus.

Pater *once*, Ave *seven times*.

ii. The *Second* Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when she was obliged to fly into Egypt by reason of the persecution of cruel Herod, who impiously sought to slay her well-beloved Son.

Pater *once*, Ave *seven times*.

iii. The *Third* Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when, after having gone up to Jerusalem at the Paschal Feast with Joseph her spouse and Jesus her beloved Son, she lost Him on the way back to her poor house, and for three days bewailed the loss of her only Love.

Pater *once*, Ave *seven times*.

iv. The *Fourth* Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when she met her dear Son Jesus carrying on His tender shoulders the heavy cross whereon He was to be crucified for our salvation.

Pater *once*, Ave *seven times.*

v. The *Fifth* Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when she saw her Son Jesus raised upon the tree of the cross, and Blood flowing from every part of His Sacred Body, and then beheld Him die after three hours' agony.

Pater *once*, Ave *seven times.*

vi. The *Sixth* Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when she saw the lance pierce the Sacred Side of Jesus, her beloved Son, the nails withdrawn, and His Holy Body laid in her purest bosom.

Pater *once*, Ave *seven times.*

vii. The *Seventh* and last Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin, Queen and Advocate of us, her servants, miserable sinners, was when she saw the Holy Body of her Son buried in the grave.

Pater *once*, Ave *seven times.*

Then say Ave *thrice in veneration of the tears which Mary shed in her sorrows, to obtain thereby true sorrow for sins and the holy Indulgences attached to this pious exercise.*

V. Ora pro nobis, Virgo dolorosissima.

R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

Oremus.

Interveniat pro nobis, quæsumus, Domine Jesu Christi, nunc et in hora mortis nostræ, apud tuam clementiam beata Virgo Maria Mater tua, cujus sacratissimam animam in hora tuæ Passionis doloris gladius pertransivit. Per te, Jesu Christi, Salvator mundi, qui cum Patre et Spiritu Sancto vivis et regnas, &c. *R.* Amen.

(*Translation.*)

V. Pray for us, Virgin most sorrowful.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech Thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, that the most blessed Virgin Mary, thy Mother, may intercede for us before the throne of Thy mercy, now and at the hour of our death, whose most holy soul was transfixed with the sword of sorrow in the hour of Thine own Passion. Through Thee, Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, who livest and reignest, &c. Amen.

133.

ONE HOUR'S PRAYER IN THE YEAR.

PLENARY, once in the year, to all the faithful, who, after Confession and Communion, on any one day should make one hour's prayer in honour of the sorrows of most holy Mary, calling them to mind by saying the Chaplet of them, or other prayers adapted to this devotion.

134.

EXERCISE IN HONOUR OF HER SORROWFUL HEART.

300 DAYS.

THE EXERCISE.

V. Deus, in adjutorium meum intende.
R. Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina.
Gloria Patri et Filio, &c.

i. I compassionate thee, sorrowing Mary, in the affliction of thy tender heart at the prophecy of the holy old man Simeon. Dear Mother, by thy heart then so afflicted, obtain for me the virtue of humility and the gift of holy fear of God.

Ave.

ii. I compassionate thee, sorrowing Mary, in the anxiety which thy sensitive heart underwent in the flight and sojourn in Egypt. Dear Mother, by thy heart then made so anxious, obtain for me the virtue of liberality, specially towards the poor, and the gift of piety.

Ave.

iii. I compassionate thee, sorrowing Mary, in the trouble of thy careful heart, when thou didst lose thy dear Son Jesus. Dear Mother, by thy heart then so troubled, obtain for me the virtue of holy chastity and the gift of knowledge.

Ave.

iv. I compassionate thee, sorrowing Mary, in the shock thy maternal heart underwent when Jesus met thee carrying His cross. Dear Mother, by thy loving heart then so overwhelmed, obtain for me the virtue of patience and the gift of fortitude.

Ave.

v. I compassionate thee, sorrowing Mary, in the martyrdom thy generous heart bore so nobly whilst thou didst stand by Jesus in His agony. Dear Mother, by thy heart then so martyred, obtain for me the virtue of temperance and the gift of counsel.

Ave.

vi. I compassionate thee, sorrowing Mary, in the wound of thy tender heart when the sacred Side of Jesus was pierced with the lance. Dear Mother, by thy heart then so transfixed, obtain for me the virtue of fraternal charity and the gift of understanding.

Ave.

vii. I compassionate thee, sorrowing Mary, in the pang felt by thy loving heart when the body of Jesus was buried in the grave. Dear Mother, by all the bitterness of desolation thou didst then experience, obtain for me the virtue of diligence and the gift of wisdom.

Ave.

V. Ora pro nobis, Virgo dolorosissima.
R. Ut digni efficiamur, &c.

Oremus.

Interveniat pro nobis, &c., p. 252.

135.

SEVEN TIMES "AVE MARIA" AND "SANCTA MATER," ETC.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

Sancta Mater, istud agas,
Crucifixi fige plagas
Cordi meo valide.

To be said after each *Ave*.

(*Translation.*)

Holy Mother, pierce me through;
In my heart each wound renew
Of my Saviour crucified.

136.

PIOUS PRACTICE ON THE LAST DAYS OF THE CARNIVAL.

i. 300 DAYS, to all the faithful of the Catholic world, every time they shall assist at any devout exercise in honour of the Sorrows of most holy Mary, in order to make reparation for the sins committed during the carnival, on the ten last days of the carnival, in any church or public oratory, or in any church of regulars of either sex, or in any oratory or chapel in monasteries, seminaries, or other pious places where prayer is wont to be made.

ii. PLENARY, to those who shall assist at this pious exercise for at least five out of the ten days, &c.

137.

THE HOUR OR HALF-HOUR OF PRAYER ON GOOD FRIDAY AND OTHER FRIDAYS.

i. PLENARY, to all those who, from Three o'clock on Good Friday until mid-day on Holy Saturday, shall, either in public or in private, keep one hour, or at least half an hour, in honour of most holy Mary in desolation, by meditating on her seven Dolours, saying the Chaplet of her Dolours, or any other prayers having reference to her desolation. This Indulgence is gained when, by Confession and Communion, they satisfy the precept of Paschal Communion.

ii. 300 DAYS, on other Fridays, whenever, between Three o'clock on that day and the dawn of Sunday, they practise this devotion.

iii. PLENARY, each month, to all who have practised it every week in the month.

138.

THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER.

300 DAYS, every day in the month of September, to all the faithful who, with contrition of heart, shall practise this devout exercise during the month of September, dedicated to the Dolours of most Holy Mary, on condition of their making use of the following little book, entitled *The Month of September; or Considerations and devout Affections upon the Dolours of most holy Mary; adapted to the use of every one who is devoted to this same Mother of God, &c.* (this book is reprinted at the press of Baldassari, at Rome, under the date of the year 1857, and is on sale at the shop of Joseph Ossani, No. 21A, in the street of the Pie di Marmo), or of some other approved book that treats of the Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin.

ST. MICHAEL,

THE ARCHANGEL,

THE ANGEL GUARDIAN,

AND

THE SAINTS.

139.

THE HYMN "TE SPLENDOR."

i. 200 DAYS, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

Te splendor et virtus Patris,
Te vita, Jesu, cordium,
Ab ore qui pendent tuo,
Laudamus inter Angelos.

Tibi mille densa millium
Ducum corona militat:
Sed explicat victor crucem
Michael salutis signifer.

Draconis hic dirum caput
In ima pellit tartara,
Ducemque cum rebellibus
Cœlesti ab arce fulminat.

Contra ducem superbiæ
Sequamur hunc nos Principem,
Ut detur ex Agni throno
Nobis corona gloriæ.

Patri, simulque Filio,
Tibique, Sancte Spiritus,
Sicut fuit, sit jugiter,
Sæclum per omne gloria. Amen.

Ant. Princeps gloriosissime, Michael Archangele, esto memor nostri: hic et ubique semper precare pro nobis Filium Dei.

V. In conspectu angelorum psallam tibi, Deus, meus.

R. Adorabo ad templum sanctum tuum, et confitebor nomini tuo.

Oremus.

Deus, qui miro ordine angelorum ministeria, hominumque dispensas: concede propitius, ut a quibus tibi ministrantibus in cœlo semper assistitur, ab his in terra vita nostra muniatur. Per Christum Dominum, &c.

140.

ANGELICAL CROWN IN HONOUR OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL.

i. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES.

ii. 100 DAYS, daily, to any one who carries this Chaplet about him, or kisses the medal with the representation of the Holy Angels appended to the said Chaplet.

iii. PLENARY, once a month.

iv. PLENARY, on the usual conditions, on—

1. The Feast of the Apparition of St. Michael. May 18.
2. The Dedication of St. Michael. September 29.
3. St. Gabriel the Archangel. March 18.
4. St. Raphael the Archangel. October 24.
5. Holy Angel Guardians. October 2.

To gain these Indulgences, a blessed Chaplet must be used, consisting of one bead for the *Pater noster*, and then three beads for the *Ave Maria* thrice—this order of one *Pater* and three times *Ave* is repeated nine times—and lastly come nine beads for the *Pater noster* four times; at

each of these nine divisions the following salutations are to be said, with the Antiphon and Prayer at the end, as given below.

V. Deus, in adjutorium meum intende.

R. Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina.

Gloria Patri, *&c.*

FIRST SALUTATION.

Pater *once*, Ave *thrice, to the First Angelic Choir.*

At the intercession of St. Michael and the heavenly choir of the Seraphim, may it please God to make us worthy to receive into our hearts the fire of His perfect charity. Amen.

SECOND SALUTATION.

Pater *once*, Ave *thrice, to the Second Angelic Choir.*

At the intercession of St. Michael and the heavenly choir of the Cherubim, may God grant us grace to abandon the ways of sin, and follow the path of Christian perfection. Amen.

THIRD SALUTATION.

Pater *once*, Ave *thrice, to the Third Angelic Choir.*

At the Intercession of St. Michael and the sacred choir of the Thrones, may it please God to infuse into our hearts a true and earnest spirit of humility. Amen.

FOURTH SALUTATION.

Pater *once*, Ave *thrice*, *to the Fourth Angelic Choir.*

At the intercession of St. Michael and the heavenly choir of the Dominations, may it please God to grant us grace to have dominion over our senses, and to correct our depraved passions. Amen.

FIFTH SALUTATION.

Pater *once*, Ave *thrice*, *to the Fifth Angelic Choir.*

At the intercession of St. Michael and the heavenly choir of the Powers, may God vouchsafe to keep our souls from the wiles and temptations of the devil. Amen.

SIXTH SALUTATION.

Pater *once*, Ave *thrice*, *to the Sixth Angelic Choir.*

At the intercession of St. Michael and the choir of the admirable celestial Virtues, may our Lord keep us from falling into temptation, and deliver us from evil. Amen.

SEVENTH SALUTATION.

Pater *once*, Ave *thrice*, *to the Seventh Angelic Choir.*

At the intercession of St. Michael and the heavenly choir of the Principalities, may it please God to fill our souls with the spirit of true and hearty obedience. Amen.

EIGHTH SALUTATION.

Pater *once*, Ave *thrice, to the eighth Angelic Choir.*

At the intercession of St. Michael and the heavenly choir of Archangels, may it please God to grant us the gift of perseverance in the faith and in all good works, that we may thereby be enabled to attain unto the glory of Paradise. Amen.

NINTH SALUTATION.

Pater *once*, Ave *thrice, to the Ninth Angelic Choir.*

At the intercession of St. Michael and the heavenly choir of Angels, may God vouchsafe to grant us the safe-conduct of the Holy Angels through life, and after death a happy entrance into the everlasting glory of heaven. Amen.

Then say Pater noster *four times in conclusion; the first to St. Michael, the second to St. Gabriel, the third to St. Raphael, the fourth to our Angel Guardian.*

Then end with the following Antiphon.

ANTIPHON.

Michael, glorious Prince, chief and champion of the heavenly host, guardian of the souls of men, conqueror of the rebel angels, who art set over the palace of God, our worthy captain under Jesus Christ, endowed with superhuman excellence and virtue; vouchsafe to free us all from every evil, who with full confidence have recourse to thee; and

by thy powerful protection enable us to make progress every day in the faithful service of our God.

V. Pray for us, most blessed Michael, Prince of the Church of Jesus Christ.

R. That we may be made worthy of His promises.

PRAYER.

Almighty and eternal God, who in Thine own marvellous goodness and pity didst, for the common salvation of man, choose the glorious Archangel Michael to be the Prince of Thy Church; make us worthy, we pray Thee, to be delivered by his beneficent protection from all our enemies, that at the hour of our death no one of them may approach to harm us, and that by the same Archangel Michael we may be introduced into the presence of Thy high and heavenly Majesty. Through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ANGEL GUARDIAN.

141.

"ANGEL OF GOD," ETC.

i. 100 DAYS.

ii. PLENARY, to those who have been accustomed to say it morning and evening throughout the year, on the Feast of the Holy Guardian Angels, October 2.

iii. PLENARY, *in articulo mortis*, to all who had been accustomed during life frequently to say this prayer.

iv. PLENARY, once a month.

Angele Dei, qui custos es mei, me, tibi commissum pietate superna, illumina, custodi, rege, et guberna. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

O Angel of God, whom God hath appointed to be my guardian, enlighten and protect, direct and govern me.

Or else,

Angel of God, my guardian dear,
To whom His love commits me here,
Ever this day be at my side,
To light and guard, to rule and guide.
Amen.

ST. JOSEPH.

142.

THE FIVE PSALMS IN HONOUR OF HIS SACRED NAME.

i. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.
iii. PLENARY, on the Feast of the Patronage of St. Joseph (the third Sunday after Easter), if said frequently during the year.

THE FIVE PSALMS.

Ant. Joseph, virum Mariæ, de qua natus est Jesus, qui vocatur Christus.

J. *Ps.* 99.

Jubilate Deo, omnis terra: * servite Domino in lætitia (*as at* p. 48).

Gloria Patri, &c.

Ant. Joseph, virum Mariæ, de qua natus est Jesus, qui vocatur Christus.

Ant. Joseph de domo David, et nomen Virginis Maria.

O. *Ps.* 46.

Omnes gentes, plaudite manibus: * jubilate Deo in voce exultationis.

Quoniam Dominus excelsus, terribilis, * rex magnus super omnem terram.

Subjecit populos nobis, * et gentes sub pedibus nostris.

Elegit nobis hæreditatem suam, * speciem Jacob, quam dilexit.

Ascendit Deus in jubilo, * et Dominus in voce tubæ.

Psallite Deo nostro, psallite; * psallite regi nostro psallite.

Quoniam rex omnis terræ Deus; * psallite sapienter.

Regnabit Deus super gentes; * Deus sedet super sedem sanctam suam.

Principes populorum congregati sunt cum Deo Abraham: * quoniam dii fortes terræ vehementer elevati sunt.

Gloria Patri.

Ant. Joseph de domo David, et nomen Virginis Maria.

Ant. Joseph vir ejus, cum esset justus, et nollet eam traducere.

S. *Ps.* 128.

Sæpe expugnaverunt me a juventute mea: * dicat nunc Israel (*as at* p. 50).

Gloria Patri.

Ant. Joseph vir ejus, cum esset justus, et nollet eam traducere.

Ant. Joseph fili David, noli timere accipere Mariam conjugem tuam.

E. *Ps.* 80.

Exultate Deo adjutori nostro: * jubilate Deo Jacob.

Sumite psalmum, et date tympanum,* psalterium jucundum cum cithara.

Buccinate in Neomenia tuba, * in insigni die solemnitatis vestræ.

Quia præceptum in Israel est, * et judicium Deo Jacob.

Testimonium in Joseph posuit illud, cum exiret de terra Ægypti: * linguam, quam non noverat, audivit.

Divertit ab oneribus dorsum ejus: * manus ejus in cophino servierunt.

In tribulatione invocasti me, et liberavi te: * exaudivi te in abscondito tempestatis; probavi te apud aquam contradictionis.

Audi, populus meus, et contestabor te: * Israel, si audieris me, non erit in te deus recens, neque adorabis deum alienum.

Ego enim sum Dominus Deus tuus, qui eduxi te de terra Ægypti; * dilata os tuum, et implebo illud.

Et non audivit populus meus vocem meam: * et Israel non intendit mihi.

Et dimisi eos secundum desideria cordis eorum: * ibunt in adinventionibus suis.

Si populus meus audisset me, * Israel si in viis meis ambulasset:

Pro nihilo forsitan inimicos eorum humiliassem: * et super tribulantes eos misissem manum meam.

Inimici Domini mentiti sunt ei: * et erit tempus eorum in sæcula.

Et cibavit eos ex adipe frumenti; * et de petra melle saturavit eos.

Gloria Patri.

Ant. Joseph fili David, noli timere accipere Mariam conjugem tuam.

Ant. Joseph, exurgens a somno, fecit sicut præcepit ei angelus.

PH or F (*as in Italian*). *Ps.* 86.

Fundamenta ejus in montibus sanctis: * diligit Dominus portas Sion super omnia tabernacula Jacob.

Gloriosa dicta sunt de te, * civitas Dei.

Memor ero Rahab et Babylonis * scientium me.

Ecce alienigenæ, et Tyrus, et populus Æthiopum, * hi fuerunt illic.

Numquid Sion dicet: Homo, et homo natus est in ea, * et ipse fundavit eam altissimus?

Dominus narrabit in scripturis populorum, et principum: * horum, qui fuerunt in ea.

Sicut lætantium omnium * habitatio est in te.

Gloria Patri.

Ant. Joseph, exurgens a somno, fecit sicut præcepit ei angelus.

V. Constituit eum dominum domus suæ.

R. Et principem omnis possessionis suæ.

Oremus.

Deus, qui ineffabili providentia beatum Joseph sanctissimæ Genitricis tuæ sponsum eligere dignatus es; præsta, quæsumus, ut quem protectorem veneramur in terris, intercessorem habere mereamur in cœlis. Qui vivis et regnas, &c.

HYMNUS.

Dei qui gratiam impotes
Cœlestium dona expetunt,
Josephi nomen invocent,
Opemque poscant supplices.

Joseph vocato nomine
Deus adest petentibus,
Auget piis justitiam,
Culpamque delet impiis.

Joseph piis quærentibus
Dantur beata munera,
Datur palma victoriæ
Agonis in certamine.

Amplexus inter Virginis,
Castæque prolis placido
Vitam sopore deserens,
Morientium fit regula.

Illo nihil potentius,
Cujus parentem nutibus,
Et subditum imperiis
Deum viderunt Æthera.

Illo nihil perfectius,
Qui sponsus almæ Virginis
Electus est, Altissimi
Custos, parensque creditus.

O ter beata et amplius
Honor sit tibi, Trinitas.
Pater, Verbumque, et Spiritus,
Sanctoque Joseph nomini. Amen.

Ant. Adjutor est in tribulationibus, et protector omnibus beatus Joseph nomen suum pie invocantibus.

V. Sit nomen beati Joseph benedictum,
R. Ex hoc, nunc, et usque in sæculum.

Oremus.

Deus, qui, mirabilis in sanctis tuis, mirabilior in beato Joseph, eum cœlestium donorum dispensatorem super familiam tuam constituisti; præsta, quæsumus, ut cujus nomen devoti veneramur, ejus precibus et meritis adjuti ad portum salutis feliciter perveniamus. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

143.

RESPONSORIUM.

ONE YEAR.

Quicumque sanus vivere,
Cursumque vitæ claudere,
In fine lætus expetit,
Opem Josephi postulet.

Hic sponsus almæ Virginis,
Paterque Jesu creditus,
Justus, fidelis, integer,
Quod poscit, orans impetrat.
Quicumque, &c.

Fœno jacentem parvulum
Adorat, et post exulem
Solatur; inde perditum
Quærit dolens, et invenit.
Quicumque, &c.

Mundi supremus artifex
Ejus labore pascitur,
Summi Parentis Filius
Obedit illi subditus.
Quicumque, &c.

Adesse morti proximus
Cum Matre Jesum conspicit,
Et inter ipsos jubilans
Dulci sopore solvitur.
Quicumque, &c.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.

Quicumque, &c.

Ant. Ecce fidelis servus, et prudens, quem constituit Dominus super familiam suam.

V. Ora pro nobis, beate Joseph,

R. Ut digni efficiamur, &c.

For Prayer, see p. 270, Deus qui ineffabili, &c.

(*Translation.*)

To all who would holily live,
To all who would happily die,
St. Joseph is ready to give
Sure guidance, and help from on high.

Of Mary the spouse undefil'd,
Just, holy, and pure of all stain,
He asks of his own foster Child;
And needs but ask to obtain.

Here the first stanza is repeated.

To all, &c.

In the manger that Child he ador'd,
And nurs'd Him in exile and flight;
Him, lost in His boyhood, deplor'd,
And found with amaze and delight.
To all, &c.

The Maker of heaven and earth
By the labour of Joseph was fed;
The Son by an infinite birth
Submissive to Joseph was made.
To all, &c.

And when his last hour drew nigh,
Oh, full of all joy was his breast;
Seeing Jesus and Mary close by,
As he tranquilly slumber'd to rest.
To all, &c.

All praise to the Father above;
All praise to His glorious Son;
All praise to the Spirit of love,
While the days of eternity run.
To all, &c.

Ant. Behold the faithful and prudent servant whom the Lord set over His house.

V. Pray for us, Holy Joseph,

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

PRAYER.

O God, who in Thine ineffable providence, didst vouchsafe to choose blessed Joseph to be the husband of Thy most Holy Mother, grant, we beseech Thee, that we may have him for our intercessor in heaven, whom on earth we venerate as our most holy Protector. Who livest and reignest, &c.

144.

SEVEN DOLOURS AND SEVEN JOYS.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.

ii. 300 DAYS, every Wednesday in the year, and every day of the two Novenas preceding the two feasts of St. Joseph, *i.e.*, his principal feast, March 19, and the feast of his Patronage, third Sunday after Easter.

iii. PLENARY, on each of these two feasts, to all who, after Confession and Communion, shall say the Prayers.

iv. PLENARY, once a month.

v. 300 DAYS, on each of the first six Sundays, to all the faithful who say the Prayers on any seven consecutive Sundays in the year, and PLENARY on the seventh, on the usual condition.

vi. PLENARY, on each of the seven Sundays kept as above, in honour of the holy Patriarch St. Joseph, at any time in the year whatever, provided only they be kept consecutively. The same Indulgence is also granted to the poor and illiterate, wherever this devotion is not publicly practised, provided only they say seven times *Pater noster*, *Ave Maria*, and *Gloria Patri*, instead of the Prayers above enjoined, and fulfil the usual conditions.

THE SEVEN SORROWS AND SEVEN JOYS.

i. Pure spouse of most holy Mary, glorious St. Joseph, the trouble and anguish of thy heart were great when, being in sore perplexity, thou wast minded to put away thy stainless spouse, yet was thy joy inexpressible when the Archangel revealed to thee the high mystery of the Incarnation.

By this thy sorrow and thy joy, we pray thee comfort our souls now and in their last pains with the consolation of a well-spent life, and a holy death like unto thine own, with Jesus and Mary at our side.

Pater, Ave, *and* Gloria.

ii. Most blessed Patriarch, glorious St. Joseph, chosen to the office of Father of the Word made Man, the pain was keen that thou didst feel when thou didst see the Infant Jesus born in abject poverty; but thy pain was changed into heavenly joy when thou didst hear the harmony of angel-choirs, and behold the glory of that night.

By this thy sorrow and thy joy, we pray thee obtain for us that, when the journey of our life is ended, we too may pass to that blessed land where we shall hear the angel-chants, and rejoice in the bright light of heavenly glory.

Pater, Ave, *and* Gloria.

iii. O Thou who wast ever most obedient in executing the law of God, glorious St. Joseph, thy heart was pierced with pain when the Precious Blood of the Infant Saviour was shed at His

Circumcision; but with the Name of Jesus new life and heavenly joy returned to thee.

By this thy sorrow and thy joy, obtain for us, that, being freed in our life from every vice, we too may cheerfully die with the sweet Name of Jesus in our hearts and on our lips.

Pater, Ave, *and* Gloria.

iv. Most faithful Saint, glorious St. Joseph, who wast admitted to take part in the redemption of man; the prophecy of Simeon foretelling the sufferings of Jesus and Mary caused thee a pang like that of death, but at the same time, by his prediction of the salvation and glorious resurrection of innumerable souls, filled thee with great joy.

By this thy sorrow and thy joy, help us with thy prayers to be of the number of those who, by the merits of Jesus and His Virgin Mother, shall be partakers of the resurrection to glory.

Pater, Ave, *and* Gloria.

v. Most watchful Guardian, glorious St. Joseph, household friend of the Incarnate Son of God, truly thou didst greatly toil to nurture and to serve the Son of the Most High, especially in the flight thou madest with Him into Egypt; but thou didst rejoice to have God Himself always with thee, and to see the overthrow of the idols of Egypt.

By this thy sorrow and thy joy, obtain for us grace to keep far out of the reach of the enemy of our souls, by quitting all dangerous occasions, that so no idol of earthly affection may any longer

occupy a place in our hearts, but that, being entirely devoted to the service of Jesus and Mary, we may live and die for them alone.

Pater, Ave, *and* Gloria.

vi. Angel on earth, glorious St. Joseph, who didst so wonder to see the King of Heaven obedient to thy bidding, the consolation thou hadst at His return was disturbed by the fear of Archelaus, but nevertheless, being reassured by the angel, thou didst go back and dwell happily at Nazareth, in the company of Jesus and of Mary.

By this thy sorrow and thy joy, obtain for us that, having our hearts freed from idle fears, we may enjoy the peace of a tranquil conscience, dwelling safely with Jesus and Mary, and dying at last in their arms.

Pater, Ave, *and* Gloria.

vii. Example of holy living, glorious St. Joseph, when in great sorrow thou didst, though without blame, lose Jesus, the Holy Child, thou didst search for Him for three long days, until with joy unspeakable thou didst find Him, who was as thy life, amidst the doctors in the Temple.

By this thy sorrow and thy joy, we pray thee with our whole heart so to interpose always in our behalf, that we may never lose Jesus by mortal sin; and if (which God avert) we are at any time so wretched as so to lose Him, then we pray thee to aid us to seek Him with such ceaseless sorrow until we find Him, particularly in the hour of our death,

that we may pass from this life to enjoy Him for ever in heaven, there to sing with thee His divine mercies without end.

Pater, Ave, *and* Gloria.

Ant. Ipse Jesus erat incipiens quasi annorum triginta, ut putabatur filius Joseph.

V. Ora pro nobis, sancte Joseph.

R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

Oremus.

Deus, qui ineffabili providentia beatum Joseph sanctissimæ Genitricis tuæ sponsum eligere dignatus es; præsta, quæsumus, ut quem protectorem veneramur in terris, intercessorem habere mereamur in cœlis. Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculorum.

R. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Ant. Jesus Himself was about thirty years old, being, as was supposed, the son of Joseph.

V. Pray for us, holy Joseph.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

O God, who in Thine ineffable providence didst vouchsafe to choose blessed Joseph to be the husband of Thy most holy Mother; grant, we beseech Thee, that we may have him for our intercessor in heaven, whom on earth we venerate as our holy Protector. Who livest and reignest, world without end. Amen.

145.

THE PRAYER, "VIRGINUM CUSTOS," TO BE SAID BY PRIESTS.

ONE YEAR, to all priests, secular and regular, every time they say with devotion the following Prayer to St. Joseph.

The other Prayer, *O felicem virum*, with the INDULGENCE, to be said by priests before saying Mass, is to be found at p. 129.

ORATIO.

Virginum custos, et pater Sancte Joseph, cujus fideli custodiæ ipsa innocentia Christus Jesus, et Virgo virginum Maria commissa fuit; te per hoc utrumque carissimum pignus Jesum et Mariam, obsecro, et obtestor, ut me ab omni immunditia præservatum, mente incontaminata, puro corde et casto corpore Jesu et Mariæ semper facias castissime famulari.

R. Amen.

THE PRAYER.

Guardian of virgins, and holy father Joseph, to whose faithful custody Christ Jesus, Innocence itself, and Mary, Virgin of virgins, were committed; I pray and beseech Thee, by these dear pledges, Jesus and Mary, that, being preserved from all uncleanness, I may with spotless mind, pure heart, and chaste body, ever most chastely serve Jesus and Mary all the days of my life. Amen.

For the Ejaculatory Prayers, Jesus, Mary, Joseph, *&c., and the Indulgences attached to them, see above, p.* 61.

146.

THE MONTH OF MARCH DEDICATED TO ST. JOSEPH.

i. PLENARY, to all who keep every day of the month of March, in honour of St. Joseph, by any devotional exercise.

ii. 300 DAYS, every day this exercise is practised.

iii. PLENARY, on any one day.

The same Indulgences to those who, being hindered, keep any other month sacred to St. Joseph, instead of March.

147.

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH.

300 DAYS, once a day.

THE PRAYER.

Remember, most pure husband of Mary, ever-Virgin, my loving protector Joseph, that never hath it been heard that any one invoked thy protection, or asked aid of thee, who has not been consoled. In this confidence I come before thee, I fervently recommend myself to thee. Despise not my prayer, father of the Saviour of men, but do thou in thy pity receive it. Amen.

148.

EJACULATION.

100 DAYS, once a day.

St. Joseph, friend of the Sacred Heart, pray for us.

THE HOLY APOSTLES ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL.

149.

VISIT TO THEIR CHURCHES.

i. 100 DAYS, to all who visit the Churches named below during their festival and its octave.

ii. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, to those who make this visit *processionally* with their confraternity.

CHURCHES TO BE VISITED.

June 29, St. Peter on the Vatican, where lies the body of the Apostle.

June 30, St. Paul outside the walls; where rests his holy body.

July 1, St. Pudenziana, once the house of St. Pudens, Roman senator, where St. Peter lodged the first time he came to Rome.

July 2, St. Mary *in Via Lata*, in the crypt of which church St. Paul was imprisoned.

July 3, St. Peter *in Vinculis*, where are venerated the chains of St. Peter.

July 4, St. Peter *in Carcere*, where St. Peter and St. Paul were kept in prison.

July 5, St. Peter *in Montorio*, in which place this Apostle was crucified with his head downwards.

July 6, St. John *in Laterano*, where are venerated the sacred heads of the two great Apostles.

150.

PRAYER, "O BLESSED APOSTLES," WITH A "PATER NOSTER," "AVE MARIA," AND "GLORIA PATRI."

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, on all Feasts of SS. Peter and Paul. provided that, after Confession and Communion, they shall

on such feast-day itself, or one of the nine days preceding it, or eight days following it, visit a Church or Altar dedicated to those Saints, saying there the following Prayer, and remembering the Holy Church and its Sovereign Pontiff.

THE PRAYER.

O blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, I, N.N., elect you this day for my special protectors and advocates with God. In all humility I rejoice with thee, blessed Peter, Prince of the Apostles, because thou art the rock whereon God hath built His Church; and I rejoice with thee too, blessed Paul, because thou wast chosen of God for a vessel of election, and a preacher of the truth throughout the world. Obtain for me, I beseech you both, a lively faith, firm hope, and perfect charity, entire detachment from myself, contempt of the world, patience in adversity, humility in prosperity, attention in prayer, purity of heart, right intention in my works, diligence in the fulfilment of all the duties of my state of life, constancy in my good resolutions, resignation to the holy will of God, perseverance in Divine grace unto death; that, having overcome by your joint intercession and your glorious merits, the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, I may be made worthy to appear before the face of the chief and eternal Bishop of Souls, Jesus Christ our Lord, to enjoy Him and to love Him for all eternity, who with the Father and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth ever, world without end. Amen.

Pater, Ave, *and* Gloria.

151.

RESPONSORIUM, "SI VIS PATRONUM."

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, on the Feast of St. Peter's Chair in Rome, Jan. 18, and also on the Feast of St. Peter's Chains, August 1, provided that on those days, being truly penitent, after Confession and Communion, they visit a Church or Altar dedicated to St. Peter, and pray according to the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff.

THE RESPONSORIUM.

Si vis patronum quærere,
Si vis potentem vindicem,
Quid jam moraris? invoca
Apostolorum principem.

O sancte cœli Claviger,
Tu nos precando subleva;
Tu redde nobis pervia
Aulæ supernæ limina.

Ut ipse multis pœnitens
Culpam rigasti lacrymis,
Sic nostra tolli poscimus
Fletu perenni crimina.
O sancte cœli, &c.

Sicut fuisti ab angelo
Tuis solutus vinculis,
Tu nos iniquis exue
Tot implicatos nexibus.
O sancte cœli, &c.

O firma Petra Ecclesiæ,
Columna flecti nescia,
Da robur et constantiam,
Error fidem ne subruat.
O sancte cœli, &c.

Romam tuo qui sanguine
Olim sacrasti, protege;
In teque confidentibus
Præsta salutem gentibus.
O sancte cœli, &c.

Tu rem tuere publicam,
Qui te colunt, fidelium,
Ne læsa sit contagiis,
Ne scissa sit discordiis.
O sancte cœli, &c.

Quos hostis antiquus dolos
Instruxit in nos, destrue;
Truces et iras comprime,
Ne clade nostra sœviat.
O sancte cœli, &c.

Contra furentis impetus
In morte vires suffice,
Ut et supremo vincere
Possimus in certamine.
O sancte cœli, &c.

Ant. Tu es Pastor ovium, Princeps Apostolorum; tibi traditæ sunt claves regni cœlorum.

V. Tu es Petrus.

R. Et super hanc petram ædificabo ecclesiam meam.

Oremus.

Apostolicis nos, Domine quæsumus, beati Petri Apostoli tui attolle præsidiis: ut quanto fragiliores sumus, tanto ejus intercessione validioribus auxiliis foveamur; et jugiter apostolica defensione muniti, nec succumbamus vitiis, nec opprimamur adversis. Per Christum, &c.

THE RESPONSORY OF ST. PETER.

Seek ye a patron to defend
Your cause?—then, one and all,
Without delay upon the Prince
Of the Apostles call.

Blest holder of the heavenly keys,
Thy prayers we all implore;
Unlock to us the sacred bars
Of heaven's eternal door.

By penitential tears thou didst
The path of life regain;
Teach us with thee to weep our sins,
And wash away their stain.
Blest holder, &c.

The angel touch'd thee, and forthwith
Thy chains from off thee fell;
O loose us from the subtle coils
That bind us fast to hell.
Blest holder, &c.

Firm rock, whereon the church is based,
Pillar that cannot bend,
With strength endue us; and the faith
From heresy defend.
Blest holder, &c.

Save Rome, which from the days of old
Thy blood hath sanctified;
And help the nations of the earth
That in thy help confide.
Blest holder, &c.

Oh, worshipp'd by all Christendom,
Her realms in peace maintain;
Let no contagion sap her strength,
No discord rend in twain.
Blest holder, &c.

The weapons which our ancient foe
Against us doth prepare,
Crush thou; nor suffer us to fall
Into his deadly snare.
Blest holder, &c.

Guard us through life; and in that hour
When our last fight draws nigh,
O'er death, o'er hell, o'er Satan's power,
Gain us the victory.
Blest holder, &c.

Ant. Thou art the shepherd of the sheep, Prince of the Apostles; to thee were given the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

V. Thou art Peter.

R. And upon this rock will I build My Church.

Let us pray.

O Lord, we beseech Thee, raise us up by the Apostolic might of blessed Peter, Thine Apostle; that, the weaker we are in ourselves, the more powerful may be the assistance whereby we are strengthened through his intercession; that thus, ever fortified by the protection of thine Apostle, we may neither yield to sin nor be overwhelmed by adversity. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

152.

THE "PATER NOSTER," ETC., THRICE BEFORE HIS TOMB, AND VENERATION OF ST. PETER'S STATUE.

i. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, to all the faithful who, with contrite heart and devotion, shall say the *Pater*, *Ave*, and *Gloria* thrice before the tomb of St. Peter, the Prince of the Apostles, in the Vatican Basilica, to render thanks to God for the favours granted to this holy Apostle.

ii. 50 DAYS, to any one who shall, with contrite heart and devotion, kiss the foot of the bronze statue of this Apostle in the aforesaid Basilica, provided he prays at the same time for peace among Christian princes, for the extirpation of heresy, and for the exaltation of our Holy Mother, the Church.

iii. 50 DAYS, every time of kissing the foot of a copy of the said statue, blessed by the Sovereign Pontiff; available for all the members of the family dwelling in the house where the statue is kept.

153.

THE RESPONSORIUM, "PRESSI MALORUM," TO ST. PAUL, ETC.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, on the 25th of January, the Feast of the Conversion of this Apostle, and on June the 30th, the Feast of his Commemoration.

DICTUM RESPONSORIUM.

Pressi malorum pondere
Adite Paulum supplices,
Qui certa largus desuper
Dabit salutis pignora.

O grata cœlo Victima,
Doctorque, amorque gentium,
O Paule, nos te vindicem,
Nos te patronum poscimus.

Nam tu beato concitus
Divino amoris impetu,
Quos insecutor oderas,
Defensor inde amplecteris.
O grata, &c.

Non te procellæ, et verbera,
Non vincla, et ardor hostium,
Non dira mors deterruit,
Ne sancto adesses cœtui.
O grata, &c.

Amoris eja pristini
Ne sis, precamur, immemor,
Et nos supernæ languidos
In spem reducas gratiæ.
O grata, &c.

Te destruantur auspice
Sævæ inferorum machinæ,
Et nostra templa publicis
Petita votis insonent.
O grata, &c.

Te deprecante floreat
Ignara damni charitas,
Quam nulla turbent jurgia,
Nec ullus error sauciet.
O grata, &c.

Qua terra cumque diditur,
Jungatur uno fœdere,
Tuisque semper affluat
Salubre nectar litteris.
O grata, &c.

Det velle nos quod imperat,
Det posse Summus Arbiter,
Ne fluctuantes horridæ
Caligo noctis obruat.
O grata, &c.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, &c.
O grata, &c.

Ant. Vas Electionis est mihi iste, ut portet nomen meum coram gentibus, et regibus, et filiis Israel.

V. Ora pro nobis, S. Paule Apostole.

R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

Oremus.

Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, qui beato Apostolo tuo Paulo, quid faceret ut impleretur Spiritu Sancto, divina miseratione præcepisti: ejus dirigentibus monitis, et suffragantibus meritis concede, ut servientes tibi in timore, et tremore cœlestium donorum consolatione repleamur. Per Christum Dominum nostrum.

R. Amen.

THE RESPONSORY OF ST. PAUL.

All ye who groan beneath
A load of ills oppress'd,
Entreat St. Paul, and he will pray
The Lord to give you rest.

O victim, dear to Heaven!
O Paul, thou teacher true!
Thou love and joy of Christendom,
To thee for help we sue.

Pierced by the flame of love,
Descending from on high,
'Twas thine to preach the faith which once
Thou soughtest to destroy.
O victim, &c.

Nor toil, nor threatened death,
Nor tempest, scourge, nor chain,
Could from th' assembly of the saints
Thy loving heart detain.
O victim, &c.

Oh, by that quenchless love
Which burnt in thee of yore,
Take pity on our miseries,
Our fainting hope restore.
O victim, &c.

True champion of the Lord,
Crush thou the schemes of hell,
And with adoring multitudes
Thy sacred temples fill.
O victim, &c.

Through thy prevailing prayer
May charity abound;
Sweet charity, which knows no ill,
Which nothing can confound.
O victim, &c.

To earth's remotest shores
May one same faith extend;
And thy epistles through all climes
Their blessed perfume send.
O victim, &c.

Grant us the will and power
To serve Thee, God of might,
Lest, wav'ring still and unprepared,
We sink in depths of night.
O victim, &c.

Praise to the Father be;
Praise to the Son who rose;
Praise to the Spirit Paraclete;
While age on ages flows.
O victim, &c.

Ant. He is My vessel of election, to carry My Name among the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel.

V. Pray for us, O blessed Apostle Paul.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, who in Thy divine compassion didst direct Thy blessed Apostle Paul what to do that he might be filled with Thy Holy Spirit; grant that we may be so counselled by his teaching, and aided by the suffrage of his merits, that, serving Thee in fear and trembling, we may be filled with the consolation of Thy heavenly gifts. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ST. PIUS V.

154.

THE HYMN, "BELLI TUMULTUS," ETC.

i. PLENARY, to all the faithful who, on the Feast of St. Pius V, May 5, being truly penitent, shall, after Confession and Communion, say on this day with devotion the following Hymn, before an altar or greater relic of this Saint, or else in some Church dedicated in his honour, and pray according to the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff.

ii. 40 DAYS, once a day.

HYMNUS.

Belli tumultus ingruit,
Cultus Dei contemnitur;
Ultrixque culpam persequens
Jam pœna terris imminet.

Quem nos in hoc discrimine
Cœlestium de sedibus
Præsentiorem vindicem,
Quam te, Pie, invocabimus ?

Nemo, beate Pontifex,
Intensiore robore
Quam tu, superni numinis
Promovit in terris decus.
Quem nos, &c.

Ausisve fortioribus
Avertit a cervicibus,
Quod Christianis gentibus
Jugum parabant barbari.
Quem nos, &c.

Tu comparatis classibus,
Votis magis sed fervidis
Ad insulas Echinadas
Fundis tyrannum Thraciæ.
Quem nos, &c.

Absensque eodem tempore,
Hostis fuit quo perditus,
Vides, et adstantes doces
Pugnæ secundos exitus.
Quem nos, &c.

Majora qui cœlo potes,
Tu supplices nunc aspice,
Tu civium discordias
Compesce, et iras hostium.
Quem nos, &c.

Precante te, pax aurea
Terras revisat; ut Deo
Tuti queamus reddere
Mox lætiora cantica.
Quem nos, &c.

Tibi, beata Trinitas
Uni Deo sit gloria,
Laus, et potestas omnia
Per sæculorum sæcula. Amen.

V. Ora pro nobis, beate Pie.
R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

Oremus.

Deus, qui ad conterendos ecclesiæ tuæ hostes, et ad divinum cultum reparandum beatum Pium pontificem maximum eligere dignatus es: fac nos ipsius defendi præsidiis, et ita tuis inhærere obsequiis, ut omnium hostium superatis insidiis perpetua pace lætemur. Per Christum Dominum nostrum.
R. Amen.

THE HYMN.

Wars and tumults fill the earth;
Men the fear of God despise;
Retribution, vengeance, wrath,
Brood upon the angry skies.

Holy Pius! Pope sublime!
Whom, in this most evil time—
Whom, of saints in bliss, can we
Better call to aid than thee?

None more mightily than thou
Hath, by holy deed or word,
Through the spacious earth below
Spread the glory of the Lord,
Holy Pius, &c.

Thine it was, O pontiff brave!
Pontiff of eternal Rome!
From barbaric yoke to save
Terror-stricken Christendom.
Holy Pius, &c.

When Lepanto's gulf beheld,
Strewn upon its waters fair,
Turkey's countless navy yield
To the power of thy prayer:
Holy Pius, &c.

Who meanwhile with prophet's eye
Didst the distant battle see,
And announce to standers-by
That same moment's victory.
Holy Pius, &c.

Mightier now and glorified,
Hear the suppliant cry we pour;
Crush Rebellion's haughty pride;
Quell the din of rising war.
Holy Pius, &c.

At thy prayer may golden peace
Down to earth descend again:
License, discord, trouble cease;
Justice, truth, and order reign.
Holy Pius, &c.

To the Lord of endless days,
One Almighty Trinity,
Sempiternal glory, praise,
Honour, might, and blessing be.
Holy Pius, &c.

V. Pray for us, blessed Pius.
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

God, who, to the destruction of the enemies of Thy Church, and to the restoration of Thy holy worship, didst vouchsafe to elect blessed Pius to be Thy High Priest; grant us so to be defended by his protection, and so to remain steadfast in Thy service, that, overcoming the snares of all our enemies, we may enjoy perpetual peace. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ST. NICHOLAS OF BARI.

155.

50 DAYS, once a day.

St. Nicholas, my special protector, from that bright throne where thou dost enjoy the vision of thy God, in pity turn thine eyes upon me; obtain for me from God that grace and assistance of which, in my present necessities, spiritual and temporal, I am most in want, and specially the grace of N . . . ., if such be expedient for my eternal welfare. Remember moreover, O saintly

Bishop, our Sovereign pontiff, the Holy Church, and this City of Rome. Bring back to the right way of salvation those who live steeped in sin, or buried in the darkness of ignorance, error, and heresy. Comfort the sorrowing, provide for the needy, strengthen the weak-hearted, defend the oppressed, help the sick; let all experience the effects of thy powerful intercession with Him who is Supreme Giver of all good. Amen.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

V. Ora pro nobis, beate Nicolae.
R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

Oremus.

Deus, qui beatum Nicolaum gloriosum Confessorem tuum atqué Pontificem innumeris decorasti, et quotidie non cessas illustrare miraculis; tribue, quæsumus, ut ejus meritis et precibus a gehennæ incendiis, et a periculis omnibus, liberemur. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

V. Pray for us, blessed Nicholas.
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

O God, who hast honoured, and ceasest not daily to honour, Thy High Priest and glorious Confessor, blessed Nicholas, with innumerable miracles; grant, we beseech Thee, that by his

merits and prayers we may be delivered from the fire of hell and from all other dangers. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ST. FRANCIS OF PAOLA.

156.

DEVOTION OF THE THIRTEEN FRIDAYS.

i. PLENARY, to all the faithful who, upon thirteen Fridays continuously, preceding the Feast of St. Francis of Paola (April 2), or at any other time of the year, shall, being truly penitent, in honour of this Saint, after Confession and Communion, visit a Church of the Minims, commonly called the Paolotti, either already erected or hereafter to be erected, and pray there for our Holy Mother Church. This Indulgence may be gained on any one of the said Fridays.

ii. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, on all other Fridays.

Moreover, wherever there are not churches of the above-named order, or where they are distant at least a mile from a person's own dwelling, the same Indulgences may be gained as are mentioned above. Permission is also given to visit any other church whatsoever dedicated to God in honour of St. Francis of Paola, or any altar existing in any church where there is a picture of this glorious Saint; and if none of these conditions can be complied with, the visit may be made to the parish church.

ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA.

157.

THE SIX SUNDAYS AND HIS FEAST.

i. PLENARY, on the usual conditions, on each of the six Sundays which are wont to be kept in honour of this Saint, either immediately before his Feast, on June 21, or

else at some other time of the year. These six Sundays must be kept consecutively with prayers in honour of the Saint.

ii. PLENARY, on the Feast, on the usual conditions, to all who make a visit to the Saint and pray for the Holy Church, &c. This Indulgence may be gained on that day, whenever and wherescoever the Feast is celebrated *de licentia Ordinarii.*

158.

PRAYER, WITH "PATER," "AVE," AND "GLORIA."

100 DAYS, once a day.

THE PRAYER.

O blessed Aloysius, adorned with angelic virtues, I, thy most unworthy suppliant, recommend specially to thee the chastity of my soul and body, praying thee by thy angelic purity to plead for me with Jesus Christ the Immaculate Lamb, and His most Holy Mother, Virgin of virgins, that they would vouchsafe to keep me from all grievous sin. Never suffer me to be defiled with any stain of fleshly sin; but when thou dost see me in temptation, or in danger of falling, then remove far from my mind all bad thoughts and unclean desires, and awaken in me the memory of eternity to come, and of Jesus crucified; impress deeply in my heart a sense of the holy fear of God; and, kindling in me the fire of Divine love, enable me so to follow thy footsteps here on earth, that in heaven I may be made worthy to enjoy with thee the vision of our God for ever. Amen.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

ST. STANISLAS KOSTKA.

159.

i. PLENARY, on the usual conditions, on the Feast of the Saint, Nov. 13, or on that Sunday on which, for the convenience of the people, this feast shall be celebrated *de licentia Ordinarii*, to all who shall visit the Church where it is celebrated, and pray according to the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff.

ii. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, on every one of the ten Sundays before his Feast, kept in honour of the ten months of novitiate made by the Saint; to be gained by visiting the Church or Oratory where these Sundays are kept, and praying as above.

iii. 100 DAYS, every day of the Novena preceding his Feast, for assisting devoutly at the said Novena with contrite heart and praying as above.

iv. 100 DAYS, once a day, to all who shall say a *Pater* and *Ave* before a picture of the Saint exposed in any Church or public Oratory, and pray as above. &c.

v. PLENARY, to all the faithful who practise this exercise for a month continuously, on any one day in the month when, after Confession and Communion, they shall say the above prayers. Whoever, by reason of a lawful impediment, shall be unable to say in Church the *Pater* and *Ave* prescribed, may say it wherever he likes on such days in the month as he is hindered, and on so doing he shall gain this *Plenary Indulgence*.

vi. 100 DAYS, in addition to the seven years and seven quarantines granted for the above-named ten Sundays, to all who, being contrite in heart, shall assist at the day's Retreat called "The Retreat of St. Stanislas," wherever it is made, once in the week, and shall pray according to the mind of the Sovereign Pontiff.

vii. 300 DAYS, once a day, to all the faithful who, in honour of this Saint, sall say the three following Prayers for Purity, Charity, and a Good Death, adding to each a *Pater*, *Ave*, and *Gloria*.

viii. PLENARY, on the usual conditions, to all the faithful who shall say these Prayers, with the *Pater*, *Ave*, and *Gloria*, once a day for a month together.

THE PRAYERS.

For Purity.

St. Stanislas, my most pure patron, Angel of purity, I rejoice with thee at the extraordinary gift of virginal purity which graced thy spotless heart; I humbly pray thee, obtain for me strength to overcome all impure temptations, and inspire me with constant watchfulness to guard my purity—that virtue most glorious in itself and most acceptable to God.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

For Charity.

St. Stanislas, my most loving patron, Seraph of charity, I rejoice with thee at the ardent fire of charity which kept thy pure and innocent heart always at peace and united to God; I humbly pray thee, obtain for me such ardour of divine love that it may consume away every other earthly affection, and kindle in me the fire of His love alone.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

For a Good Death.

St. Stanislas, my most tender and most mighty patron, Angel of purity and Seraph of charity, I rejoice with thee at thy most happy death, which arose from thy desire to contemplate our Lady in heaven, and was at length caused by the excess of thy love for her. I give thanks to Mary, because she thus accomplished thy desires; and I pray thee, by the lustre of thy happy death, to be my advocate and my patron in my death. Intercede with

Mary for me, to obtain for me a death, if not all happiness like thine, yet calm and peaceful, under the protection of Mary my advocate, and thee, my special patron.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

ST. PHILIP NERI.

160.

PRAYERS TO ST. PHILIP FOR EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK.

50 DAYS, once a day.

FOR SUNDAY.

Prayer to obtain the virtue of Humility.

St. Philip, my glorious patron, who on earth didst so love humility as to count the praise and even the good esteem of men as dross; obtain for me also this virtue by thy prayers. Thou knowest how haughty I am in my thoughts, how contemptuous in my words, how ambitious in my works. Ask for me humility of heart; that my mind may be freed from all pride, and impressed with the same low esteem of self which thou hadst of thyself, counting thyself the worst of all men, and for that reason rejoicing when thou didst suffer contempt, and seeking out for thyself occasions of enduring it. Great saint, obtain for me a true humble heart and the knowledge of my own nothingness; that I may rejoice when I am despised, and resent not when others are preferred before me; that I may never be vain when I am praised,

but may ever seek only to be great in the eyes of God, desiring to receive from Him alone all my exaltation.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

FOR MONDAY.

Prayer to obtain the virtue of Patience.

St. Philip, my patron Saint, whose heart was ever so constant in time of trouble, and whose spirit was so loving under suffering that, when persecuted by the jealous, or calumniated by the wicked who thought to discredit thy sanctity, or when tried by God with many long painful infirmities, thou didst always bear thy trials with wonderful tranquillity of heart and mind; pray for me that I may have a spirit of true courage in every adversity. Alas, how much I stand in need of patience! I shrink from every little trouble; I sicken under every light affliction; I fire up at and resent every trifling contradiction; never setting myself to learn that the road to Paradise lies amidst the thorns of tribulation. Yet was this the path our Divine Master deigned to tread, and this too, my saintly patron, was thy path also. Obtain for me, then, this courage, that with good hearty will I may embrace the crosses which every day I receive from God, and bear them all with the same endurance and ready will as thou didst when thou wast on earth; that so I may be made worthy to enjoy the blessed fruit of sufferings with thee in heaven above.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

FOR TUESDAY.

Prayer to obtain the virtue of Purity.

St. Philip, who didst always preserve the white lily of thy purity unsullied, with such great honour to thyself that the brightness of this fair virtue dwelt in thine eyes, shone forth from thy hands, and cast its fragrance over thy whole body, causing it to emit so sweet a perfume that it gave consolation, fervour, and devotion to all who conversed with thee; obtain for me from the Holy Spirit of God so true a love for that virtue that neither the words nor bad examples of sinners may ever make any impression upon my soul. Never permit me in any way to lose that lovely virtue; and since avoidance of occasions, prayer, labour, humility, mortification of the senses, frequent use of the Sacraments, were the arms with which thou didst conquer the flesh, which is our worst enemy, so do thou obtain for me grace to use the same arms to vanquish the same foe. Take not away thy help from me; but be as zealous for me as thou wast during thy life for thy penitents, keeping them far removed from all infection of the senses. Do this for me, my holy patron; and be my protector and pattern in this fair virtue.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

FOR WEDNESDAY.

Prayer to obtain the Love of God.

St. Philip, I am filled with wonder at the great miracle which was wrought in thee by the Holy

Spirit when He poured into thy heart such a flood of heavenly charity that, in order to contain it, two of thy ribs were broken by the power of Divine love; and I am confounded when I compare thy heart with mine own. I see thy heart all burning with love, and mine all frozen and taken up with creatures. I see thine inflamed with a fire from heaven, which so filled thy body that it radiated like flames from thy countenance; while mine is full of earthly love. I love the world, which allures me and can never make me happy; I love the flesh, which ever wears me with its cares, and can never render me immortal; I love riches, which I can enjoy but for a moment. Oh, when shall I learn of thee to love nothing but God, my incomprehensible and only Good? Help me, then, blessed patron, that by thy intercession I may begin at once: obtain for me an efficacious love, manifesting itself by works; a pure love, making me love God most perfectly; a strong love, enabling me to surmount all obstacles hindering my union with God in life, that so I may be wholly united to Him for ever after my death.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

FOR THURSDAY.

Prayer to obtain the Love of our Neighbour.

Glorious Saint, who didst employ thyself wholly in the good of thy neighbour, thinking well of all, sympathising with all, helping all, who throughout thy whole life didst ever try to secure the salvation of all, never shrinking from labour or trouble,

keeping for thyself no time or comfort, that thou mightest win all hearts to God; pray for me, that, together with the pardon of my sins, I may have charity for my neighbour, and be henceforth more compassionate to him in his necessities; and obtain for me grace that I may love every man with pure unselfish love as my own brother, succouring each one, if I am unable to do it with temporal good, at least with prayers and good advice. And teach me too, on every occasion, to defend the honour of my neighbour, and never to say to him a hurtful or displeasing word; but ever to maintain, even with my enemies, sweetness of spirit like thine own, whereby thou didst triumph over thy persecutors. Blessed Saint, ask of God for me also this lovely virtue, which already thou hast gained for so many of thy clients; that so we may all one day come to praise our God with thee in an eternity of bliss.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

FOR FRIDAY.

Prayer to obtain Detachment from Temporal Goods.

Great Saint, who didst prefer a poor and austere life to the comforts of thy home, despising the honour and glory of thy station; obtain for me grace ever to keep my heart detached from the transitory goods of this life. St. Philip, whose desire it ever was to become so poor as one day to beg thy bread, and not to find the charitable hand to offer thee a crumb wherewith to support life; ask of God for me such love of poverty that I may turn all my thoughts to goods which never fail. St. Philip, who didst prefer to live unknown to

promotion to the highest honours of the Holy Church; intercede for me, that I may never seek after dignities, but always content myself with that state where God has set me. My heart is too anxious for the empty fleeting things of earth, but thou—ah, what a maxim didst thou leave us by thy two words, "*And then!*" O, wonder-working words! may they ever be deeply impressed upon my soul; that, despising the nothingness of earth, God alone may reign sole object of my affections and my thoughts.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

FOR SATURDAY.

Prayer to obtain Perseverance in Good Works.

St. Philip, my holy patron, who, ever constant in good works and full of merit, didst receive from the Most High God the crown of glory in reward of all thy labours; obtain for me grace never to weary in His service. St. Philip, who didst recompense those who loved thee by acquiring for them the gift of perseverance in good, ask of God this gift for me; stand by me, dear father, at the last moment of my life, and pray for me that I may depart this life strengthened with the grace of the Holy Sacraments. Meanwhile, intercede for me, that I may do penance for sins, and deplore them bitterly all my days. St. Philip, who from on high beholdest all my miseries, and the chains which yet bind me to my sins and to this earth; pray for me that I may be liberated from them, and be constantly devoted to my God. Obtain for

me an ardent desire to co-operate in my own salvation, and unshaken firmness in the good which I have begun; that so, by thy intercession, I may deserve to be for ever in thy company in an eternity of bliss.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

ST. CAMILLUS OF LELLIS.

161.

i. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, whenever any one shall, at any time of the year, in public or in private, practise the pious exercise of keeping seven Sundays in honour of St. Camillus, saying some devout prayer in honour of this Saint. This Indulgence may be gained on each of these Sundays.

ii. PLENARY, &c., on the seventh Sunday.

ST. MICHAEL DE SANTI.

162.

PRAYER, "GLORIOUS MICHAEL," ETC.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, if said on April 10 (the day of the Saint's death), on Corpus Christi, and on July 5, his Festival.

THE PRAYER.

Glorious Michael, Seraph inflamed with burning love of Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament; thou who, passing days and nights in His Royal Presence, didst find there those dear delights which, inundating not thy heart alone but thy whole body with surpassing sweetness, threw thee into an ecstasy of joy, and who, wrapt in thy God, didst

feel thyself faint for love, being unable to support the torrent of consolations; vouchsafe, I pray thee, powerful advocate, to obtain for me lively faith, firm hope, and burning charity towards this priceless treasure, the precious pledge of everlasting glory; so that by thy intercession I may, through the whole course of my life, be numbered amongst the true worshippers of Jesus in the Holy Sacrament, and with thee hereafter enjoy Him face to face in an eternity of bliss. Amen.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY.

163.

PRAYER, "BLESSED ELIZABETH," ETC.

300 DAYS, once a day.

THE PRAYER.

Blessed Elizabeth, vessel elect of exalted virtues, thou dost show forth to the world by thy example what the virtues of Faith, Hope, and Charity are able to do in a Christian soul.

Thou didst employ all the powers of thy heart to love thy God alone. Thou didst love Him with a love so pure and fervent that it rendered thee worthy to taste upon earth beforehand those favours and those sweetnesses of Paradise which are communicated to souls invited to the nuptials of the Divine adorable Lamb of God.

Thou, illuminated by supernatural light and faith immovable, which showed thee to be a true

daughter of the Holy Gospel, didst see in the person of thy neighbour the Person of our Lord Jesus Christ, sole object of thy affections; and therefore didst thou place all thy delight in holding converse with the poor, in serving them, in drying their tears and comforting their spirits, in assisting them with every pious good office, in the midst of pestilence and miseries to which our human nature is subject.

Thou didst make thyself poor in order to succour thy neighbour in his poverty—poor in the good things of earth, to enrich thyself with the goods of heaven.

Thou wast so humble that, after thou hadst exchanged a throne for a poor hovel, and a royal mantle for the modest habit of St. Francis, thou didst subject thyself, innocent though thou wast, to a life of privation and of penance, and with holy grace didst embrace the cross of thy Redeemer, with goodwill accepting insults and the most unjust persecution: thus didst thou forget the world and thyself, to remember thy God alone.

Dearest Saint, whom we will dare to call *our dear* St. Elizabeth, uniting our voices with the voices of so many souls devoted to thee; thou who wast so beloved by God, vouchsafe to be the heavenly friend of our souls, and aid them to become friends of thy Friend, thy loving Jesus. Cast down upon us from the height of heaven one of those tender looks which, when thou wast upon earth, healed the most distressing infirmities. In the age in which we live, so full of moral revolutions, and at the same time so cold and so indifferent

for the things of God, we have recourse to thee with confidence, in order that, borrowing our light from thy light, we may re-kindle within ourselves the fire of thy exalted love, and thus obtain peace of soul.

Whilst we bless the Lord for having glorified His name in this world with the splendour of thy heroic virtues, and by the eternal reward He has granted to them, do thou, dear Saint Elizabeth, bless us still from the seat thou dost occupy beside the Saint of saints, protect us in our dangerous pilgrimage, obtain for us by thy intercession pardon for our failings, and open to us the way to enter into and share with thee the kingdom of God. Amen.

ST. AGNES, V.M.

164.

100 DAYS, once a day.

PRAYER.

O sweetest Lord Jesus Christ, Source of all virtue, Lover of virgins, most powerful Conqueror of demons, most severe Extirpator of vice, deign to cast Thine eyes upon my weakness, and through the intercession of Mary most blessed, Mother and Virgin, and of Thy beloved spouse, St. Agnes, glorious virgin and martyr, grant me the aid of Thy heavenly grace, in order that I may learn to despise all earthly things, and to love what is heavenly; to oppose vice, and to be proof against temptation; to walk firmly in the path of virtue, not to seek honours, to shun pleasures, to bewail my past offences, to keep far from the occasions of evil, to keep free from bad habits, to seek the

company of the good, and persevere in righteousness, so that, by the assistance of Thy grace, I may deserve the crown of eternal life, together with St. Agnes and all the saints, for ever and ever, in Thy kingdom. Amen.

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS.

165.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a month, on the last day, or within eight days.

PRAYER.

O glorious St. John, who, through a pure desire of being like unto Jesus crucified, didst long for nothing so eagerly, up to the last moment of thy holy life, as to suffer to be despised, and to be made little of by all; and whose thirst after sufferings was so burning, that thy noble heart rejoiced in the midst of the sorest torments and afflictions: vouchsafe, I beseech thee, O dear Saint, by the glory which thy many sufferings have gained for thee, to intercede for me, and obtain of God for me a love of suffering, together with grace and strength to bear with firmness of mind all trials and adversities, which are the sure means to the happy attainment of that glorious crown which awaits me in heaven. Yes, dear Saint, from thy most happy throne of glory, whereon thou art now seated in majesty, hear, I beseech thee, my prayers; so that, after thy example, full of love for the Cross and for suffering, I may deserve to be thy companion in glory.

ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS.

166.

i. ONE YEAR, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, on the Feast (April 28), or within the octave, if said for a month preceding the Feast.
iii. 300 DAYS, every day, for a novena in honour of the Saint.
iv. PLENARY, at the close of novena.

PRAYER.

O glorious St. Paul, thou who, while on earth, wast a mirror of innocence and a model of penance! O hero of sanctity, specially chosen by God to meditate night and day on the most bitter passion of His only-begotten Son, and to propagate the same devotion throughout the world, by word, by example, and by means of thy institute! O Apostle, powerful in word and work, who didst spend thy life in bringing back the wandering souls of wretched sinners to the feet of the Crucified, look down from heaven graciously upon my soul, and hear my prayers. Obtain for me such a love toward Jesus suffering, that, ever meditating on His passion, I may make His sufferings mine; that I may recognise in the deep wounds of my Saviour the wickedness of my sins, and may draw from them, as from so many founts of salvation, the grace of lamenting them bitterly, and a firm will to imitate thee in penance, if I have not followed thee in innocence. Procure for me, O St. Paul, the grace which here, at thy feet, I particularly and earnestly beg of thee (*here mention the grace desired*). Moreover, obtain for our holy Mother the Church victory over her enemies; obtain conversion for

sinners; and a return to the Catholic faith for all heretics, particularly for England, for which thou didst pray so much. Finally, intercede for me with God that I may die a holy death, and come to enjoy Him with thee in heaven, for all eternity. Amen.

Pater noster. Ave Maria. Gloria Patri.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA.

167.

i. 100 DAYS, every time.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

RESPONSORIUM.

Si quæris miracula,
Mors, error, calamitas,
Dæmon, lepra fugiunt,
Ægri surgunt sani.

Cedunt mare, vincula;
Membra resque perditas
Petunt et accipiunt
Juvenes et cani.

Pereunt pericula,
Cessat et necessitas;
Narrent hi, qui sentiunt,
Dicant Paduani.

Cedunt mare, vincula;
Membra resque perditas
Petunt et accipiunt
Juvenes et cani.

Gloria Patri et Filio,
Et Spiritui Sancto.

Cedunt mare, vincula, &c.

V. Ora pro nobis, B. Antoni.
R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

Oremus.

Ecclesiam tuam, Deus, beati Antonii confessoris tui commemoratio votiva lætificet, ut spiritualibus semper muniatur auxiliis et gaudiis perfrui mereatur æternis. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

If then you ask for miracles,
Death, error, all calamities,
The leprosy, and demons fly,
And health succeeds infirmities.

The sea obeys, and fetters break,
And lifeless limbs thou dost restore;
Whilst treasures lost are found again,
When young or old thine aid implore.

All dangers vanish at thy prayer,
And direst need doth quickly flee.
Let those who know thy power proclaim—
Let Paduans say—These are of thee.

The sea obeys, and fetters break,
And lifeless limbs thou dost restore;
Whilst treasures lost are found again,
When young or old thine aid implore.

To Father, Son, may glory be,
And Holy Ghost eternally.

The sea obeys, &c.

V. Pray for us, blessed Anthony.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

O God, may the votive commemoration of blessed Anthony, Thy Confessor, be a source of joy to Thy Church, that she may always be fortified with spiritual assistance, and deserve to enjoy eternal rewards. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ST. ANDREW AVELLINO.

168.

i. 300 DAYS, every time.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

PRAYER.

O most glorious Saint, whom God has made our protector against apoplexy, seeing that thou thyself didst die of that disease, we earnestly pray thee to preserve us from an evil so dangerous and so common.

Pater noster. Ave Maria. Gloria Patri.

Per intercessionem S. Andreæ apoplectico morbo correpti,
A subitanea et improvisa morte libera nos, Domine.

(*Translation.*)

By the intercession of St. Andrew, stricken with apoplexy,

From a sudden and unprovided death deliver us, O Lord.

O most glorious Saint, if ever, by the just judgment of God, we should be stricken with apoplexy, we earnestly beseech thee to obtain for us time enough to receive the last Sacraments, and to die in the grace of God.

Pater noster. Ave Maria. Glori Patri.

Per intercessionem, &c.
A subitanea, &c.

By the intercession, &c.
From a sudden, &c.

O most glorious Saint, who didst endure, before dying, a terrible agony, through the assaults of the devil, from which the blessed Virgin and St. Michael delivered thee, we earnestly beseech thee to assist us in the tremendous moment of our death.

Pater noster. Ave Maria. Gloria Patri.

Per intercessionem, &c.
A subitanea, &c.

By the intercession, &c.
From a sudden, &c.

BL. THOMAS OF CORI.

169.

i. 100 DAYS.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

Those who cannot read may gain these Indulgences by saying the *Pater* and *Ave* thrice, instead of the Responsory.

RESPONSORIUM.

Ostensa quisquis expetit
Mirari grandia insolita,
Supplex Thomæ propitium
Nomen vocet auxilio.

Illi procella sternitur,
Vis venti, tellus pluvia,
Dirumque mortis spiculum
Brachio refringit valido.

Queis luce carent oculi,
Cuique vox hæret faucibus,
Qui curis inops agitur,
Suppetias affert facilis.

Illi procella, &c.

Nec casus ejus nutibus
Insontes vexat cladibus,
Pallentes morbos abigit,
Vitale lumen reficit.

Illi procella, &c.

Thoma, o colende, moribus
Innocuis da nos instrui,
Da fausta pacis munera,
Da beata adire limina.
Illi procella, &c.

Virtus, decus, et claritas
Sit Patri, sitque Filio,
Sit largitori Flamini
Ævum per omne gloria.
Illi procella, &c. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Let him who seeks for wonders strange
That power and might proclaim,
Implore his aid, and suppliant call
Upon St. Thomas' name.

The storm is subject to his will,
The wind, the earth, the rains;
He breaks the direful shaft of death,
His arm its power restrains.

To those whose eyes know not the light,
Whose tongues are silent made,
To poverty when pressed with care,
He quickly lends his aid.
The storm, &c.

'Tis not his will that sad mischance
Disturb the guiltless hearts;
While life returns at his command,
And sickness soon departs.
The storm, &c.

O Thomas, worthy of all praise!
Free us from every stain;
Obtain for us the gift of grace,
With thee in heaven to reign.
The storm, &c.

Let power, honour, all renown,
Unto the Father be,
And to the Son and Holy Ghost,
Glory eternally.
The storm, &c. Amen.

PRAYER.

Deus, qui beatum Thomam tuo amore succensum, interiori mortificatione et eximia in proximum dilectione decorasti, ejus meritis precibusque concede ut nosmetipsos pro te abnegantes et charitatis opera jugiter exequentes, æterna præmia consequi mereamur. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

God, who didst adorn blessed Thomas, inflamed with love for Thee, with interior mortification and a surpassing love for his neighbour: by his merits and prayers grant that, denying ourselves for Thy sake, and ever practising the works of charity, we may deserve to secure eternal rewards. Amen.

FOR THE FAITHFUL IN THEIR AGONY.

170.

"PATER" AND "AVE" THRICE, IN MEMORY OF OUR LADY'S SORROWS.

i. 300 DAYS, to all who pray for the faithful in their agony, every time they say the *Pater* thrice in memory of the agony of Jesus Christ, and *Ave* thrice in memory of our Lady's sorrows whilst assisting at the agony of her beloved Son.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

171.

PRAYER FOR THE FAITHFUL IN THEIR AGONY.

i. 100 DAYS.

ii. PLENARY, once a month, if said three times a day, at three distinct intervals.

THE PRAYER.

O clementissime Jesu, amator animarum; obsecro te, per agoniam cordis tui sanctissimi, et per dolores Matris tuæ immaculatæ, lava in sanguine tuo peccatores totius mundi, nunc positos in agonia et hodie morituros. Amen.

Cor Jesu, in agonia factum, miserere morientium.

(*Translation.*)

O most merciful Jesus, Lover of souls: I pray Thee, by the agony of Thy most Sacred Heart, and by the sorrows of Thy Immaculate Mother, cleanse in Thine own Blood the sinners of the whole world who are now in their agony and to die this day. Amen.

Heart of Jesus, once in agony, pity the dying.

FOR A GOOD DEATH.

172.

PRAYERS FOR A GOOD DEATH.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

THE PRAYERS.

O Lord Jesus, God of goodness, and Father of mercies, I draw nigh to Thee with a contrite and humble heart; to Thee I recommend the last hour of my life, and that judgment which awaits me afterwards.

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my feet, benumbed with death, shall admonish me that my course in this life is drawing to an end,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my hands, cold and trembling, shall no longer be able to clasp the crucifix, and shall let it fall against my will on my bed of suffering,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my eyes, dim and troubled at the approach of death, shall fix themselves on Thee, my last and only support,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my lips, cold and trembling, pronounce for the last time Thy adorable Name,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my face, pale and livid, shall inspire the beholders with pity and dismay; when my hair, bathed in the sweat of death, and stiffening on my head, shall forebode my approaching end,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my ears, soon to be for ever shut to the discourse of men, shall be open to that irrevocable decree which is to fix my doom for all eternity,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my imagination, agitated by dreadful spectres, shall be sunk in an abyss of anguish; when my soul, affrighted with the sight of my iniquities and the terrors of Thy judgments, shall have to fight against the angel of darkness, who will endeavour to conceal Thy mercies from my eyes, and plunge me into despair,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my poor heart, oppressed with suffering and exhausted by its continual struggles with the enemies of its salvation, shall feel the pangs of death,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When the last tear, the forerunner of my dissolution, shall drop from my eyes, receive it as a sacrifice of expiation for my sins; grant that I may expire the victim of penance; and then, in that dreadful moment,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my friends and relations, encircling my bed, shall be moved with compassion for me, and invoke Thy clemency in my behalf,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When I shall have lost the use of my senses, when the world shall have vanished from my sight, when my agonising soul shall feel the pangs of death,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my last sighs shall force my soul to issue from my body, accept them as born of a loving impatience to come to Thee,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my soul, trembling on my lips, shall bid adieu to the world, and leave my body lifeless, pale, and cold, receive this separation as a homage which

I willingly pay to Thy Divine Majesty, and in that last moment of my mortal life,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When at length my soul, admitted to Thy presence, shall first behold the splendour of Thy Majesty, reject it not, but receive me into Thy bosom, where I may for ever sing Thy praises, and in that moment when eternity shall begin to me,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

Let us pray.

O God, who hast doomed all men to die, but hast concealed from all the hour of their death, grant that I may pass my days in the practice of holiness and justice, and that I may be made worthy to quit this world in the peace of a good conscience, and in the embrace of Thy love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THREE OFFERINGS TO THE MOST HOLY TRINITY TO OBTAIN A GOOD DEATH.

See p. 16 above, for the Prayers themselves, and the Indulgences attached to them.

173.

PRAYER, "O MARY, CONCEIVED WITHOUT STAIN," ETC., TO OBTAIN A GOOD DEATH.

100 DAYS, once a day.

THE PRAYER.

O Maria, sine labe concepta, ora pro nobis, qui confugimus ad te. O Refugium peccatorum, Mater agonizantium, noli nos derelinquere in horâ exitus nostri, sed impetra nobis dolorem perfectum, sinceram contritionem, remissionem peccatorum nostrorum, Sanctissimi Viatici dignam receptionem, Extremæ Unctionis Sacramenti corroborationem, quatenus securi presentari valeamus ante thronum justi, sed et misericordis Judicis, Dei et Redemptoris nostri. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

O Mary, conceived without stain, pray for us who fly to thee. Refuge of sinners, Mother of those who are in their agony, leave us not in the hour of our death, but obtain for us perfect sorrow, sincere contrition, remission of our sins, a worthy reception of the most holy Viaticum, the strengthening of the Sacrament of Extreme Unction, so that we may be able to stand with safety before the throne of the just but merciful Judge, our God and our Redeemer. Amen.

174.

PRAYERS, ETC., FOR DELIVERANCE FROM UNPREPARED DEATH.

i. 100 DAYS.

ii. PLENARY, to all who say them every day for a year; to be gained on the Feasts of the Holy Cross, viz., May 3 and Sept. 14, provided that on those days, besides

fulfilling the usual conditions, they pray according to the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff, in any church where there is the Blessed Sacrament.

ORATIONES.

i. Exaudi nos, Deus salutaris nostri, et ne dies nostros ante finiri jubeas, quam peccata dimittas: et quia in inferno superflua pœnitentia est, et nullum spatium corrigendi; hinc te supplices rogamus et petimus, ut ubi das spatium supplicandi, jubeas et peccata dimitti. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

ii. Averte Domine, quæsumus, a fidelibus tuis cunctos miseratus errores; et sævientium morborum repentinam depelle perniciem, ut quos merito flagellas devios, foveas tua miseratione correctos. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

ANTIPHONA.

iii. Anima mea cessa jam peccare; cogita de subitanea transpositione ad æterna tormenta. Ibi enim non suscipitur pœnitentia, nec lueri faciunt lacrymæ. Dum tempus adest, convertere, clama dicens: Deus meus, miserere mei.

ANTIPHONA.

iv. Media vita in morte sumus: quem quærimus adjutorem nisi te, Domine, qui pro peccatis nostris irasceris? Sanctus Deus, sanctus fortis, sanctus misericors Salvator, amaræ morti ne tradas nos.

v. *V.* Ne subito præoccupati die mortis quæramus spatium pœnitentiæ, et invenire non possimus.

R. Attende, Domine, et miserere quia peccavimus tibi.

vi. Populum tuum, quæsumus, omnipotens Deus, ab ira tua ad te confugientem paterna recipe pietate; ut qui tuæ majestatis flagella in repentina morte formidant, de tua mereantur venia gratulari. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

vii. Ecclesiæ tuæ, quæsumus, omnipotens Deus, placatus intende conventum, et misericordia tua nos potius quam ira præveniat; quia si iniquitates nostras observare volueris nulla poterit creatura subsistere: sed admirabili pietate, qua nos fecisti, ignosce peccantibus, ut opera manuum tuarum repentina morte non facias interire. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

viii. Exaudi, Domine, preces nostras, et ne velis cum servis tuis adire judicium: quia sicut in nobis nulla justitia reperitur, de qua præsumere valeamus; ita te fontem pietatis agnoscimus, a quo et a peccatis nostris ablui, et ab infirmitatibus, ac repentina morte liberari confidimus. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

ix. Deus, sub cujus oculis omne cor trepidat, et omnes conscientiæ pavescunt, misericordiam tuam effunde supplicibus; ut qui de meritorum qualitate diffidimus, non judicium tuum in repentina morte nostra, sed indulgentiam tuam sentiamus. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

THE PRAYERS.

i. Hear us, O God of our salvation, and issue not the decree for the completion of our days before Thou forgivest us our sins; and because penance avails not in hell, and there is no room for amendment in the pit, therefore we humbly pray and beseech Thee here on earth, that, giving us time to pray for pardon, Thou wouldst give us also forgiveness of our sins. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ii. Take away, merciful Lord, all errors from Thy faithful people, avert from them the sudden destruction of the wasting pestilence; and those whose wanderings Thou dost justly chastise, do Thou mercifully pity when corrected. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANTIPHON.

iii. Sin no longer, O my soul; think upon the sudden change from sin to endless torments. There, in hell, penance is not accepted, and tears profit not. Turn, then, whilst thou hast time; cry out and say, Have mercy upon me, O my God.

ANTIPHON.

iv. In the midst of life we are in death; but to whom can we look to be our helper save Thee, O Lord, who art justly angry with us because of our sins? O holy God, holy and strong, holy and merciful Saviour, deliver us not over to a bitter death.

v. *V.* Lest, overtaken by the day of death, we seek time for penance, and be unable to find it:

R. Hearken, O Lord, and have mercy on us, for we have sinned against Thee.

vi. We beseech Thee, Almighty God, receive in Thy fatherly pity Thy people who flee unto Thee from Thine anger; that those who fear to be chastised by the rod of Thy majesty through sudden death, may be made worthy to rejoice in Thy pardon. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

vii. We beseech Thee, Almighty God, graciously incline Thine ear to the assembly of Thy Church, and let Thy mercy to us prevent Thine anger, for if Thou shouldst mark iniquities there shall no creature be able to stand before Thee; and in that same admirable charity whereby Thou didst create us, pardon us sinners, and destroy not the work of Thine own hands by sudden death. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

viii. Hear our prayers, O Lord, and enter not into judgment with Thy servants; for, knowing that there is no justice in us on which we can dare to presume, we acknowledge no other fount of mercy whereby we can be washed from our sins, delivered from our infirmities, and especially from sudden death, but only Thee, O God. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ix. O God, in whose sight every heart trembles and every conscience is awed; show forth Thy mercy upon us, Thy suppliants, that we, who trust not in the excellence of our own merit, may never

experience Thy judgments by suddenness of death, but may receive Thy pardon. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER.

Most merciful Lord Jesus, by Thy agony and bloody sweat, and by Thy death, deliver me, I beseech Thee, from sudden and unprepared death. O most gentle Lord Jesus, by Thy cruel and ignominious scourging and crowning with thorns, by Thy cross and bitter passion, and by Thine own great goodness, I humbly pray Thee let me not die unprepared and pass from this life without the Holy Sacraments. Jesus, my best beloved, my Lord! by all Thy travails and all Thy sorrows, by Thy precious Blood, and by Thy most holy wounds, and by those last words spoken by Thee upon the cross—"My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?" and again, "Father into Thy hands I commend My spirit"—most ardently I pray Thee free me from sudden death. Thy hands, O my Redeemer, have wholly made and formed me; O, suffer not death to take me unawares; grant me, I beseech Thee, time for penance; vouchsafe me a happy passage when I am in Thy grace, that in the world to come I may love Thee with my whole heart, and praise and bless Thee for ever and for ever. Amen.

Pater *and* Ave *five times, in memory of the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, and* Ave *thrice, to the Blessed Virgin, Mother of Sorrows.*

175.

EJACULATION OF RESIGNATION TO THE WILL OF GOD.

i. 100 DAYS, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a year, to all who say it daily.
iii. PLENARY, on the usual conditions, *in articulo mortis*, to those who, during life, shall have frequently recited this Ejaculation, provided they accept death with resignation from the hands of God.

Fiat, laudetur, atque in æternum superexaltetur justissima, altissima, et amabilissima voluntas Dei in omnibus.

May the most just, most high, most adorable will of God be in all things done, and praised, and magnified for ever.

176.

PLENARY INDULGENCE AT THE HOUR OF OUR DEATH.

(In articulo mortis.)

This Plenary Indulgence, which may be gained by many devotional practices mentioned above, may also be gained by any one who receives *in articulo mortis* the Benediction given by the Sovereign Pontiff, by bishops, parish priests, or others who have the necessary faculties. In order to gain it, the faithful, besides being in the grace of God, ought—*first*, to have fulfilled, or to be fulfilling, the good works enjoined in the same grants, as, for example, they ought either "to have frequently said such and such a prayer as above," or "to invoke at the moment of death with their mouth and with their heart the most holy names of Jesus and Mary," or "do so at least inwardly with contrite hearts," &c.; and, *secondly*, it is

requisite that the dying person should accept death from the hands of God with resignation and in conformity to the divine pleasure.

N.B.—This Plenary Indulgence *in articulo mortis* is not suspended in the year of the Jubilee.

FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED.

177.

THE OFFICE.

i. 100 DAYS, to all the faithful, as often as they shall devoutly say of obligation the Office of the Dead on the days prescribed by the rubrics of the Roman Breviary.

ii. 50 DAYS, to all the faithful, every time they say it out of their own devotion.

178.

THE "DE PROFUNDIS" AT THE FIRST HOUR AFTER THE "AVE MARIA."

i. 100 DAYS, to all the faithful, every time that at the sound of the bell, at the first hour after the evening *Ave Maria*,* they say devoutly on their knees the psalm *De profundis*, with a *Requiem æternam* at the end of it.

ii. PLENARY, to those who perform this pious exercise for a year at the hour appointed, once in the year, on any one day. Those who do not know by heart the *De profundis*, may gain these Indulgences by saying in the way already mentioned, instead of the *De profundis*, one *Pater* and *Ave*, with the *Requiem æternam*.

These Indulgences may be gained by saying the *De profundis*, &c., as above, although, according to the custom of a particular church or place, the "signal for the dead," as it is called, be given by the sound of the bell either before or after one hour after the evening *Ave Maria*.

* The evening *Ave Maria* in Rome varies with the season; it is commonly taken as six o'clock.

Also the above-named Indulgences may be gained by all the faithful who should chance to dwell in any place where no bell for the dead is sounded, and who shall say the *De profundis* or *Pater noster*, &c., as aforesaid, about the *Ave Maria*.

Ps. 129.

De profundis clamavi ad te, Domine: * Domine, exaudi vocem meam.

Fiant aures tuæ intendentes * in vocem deprecationis meæ.

Si iniquitates observaveris, Domine: * Domine, quis sustinebit?

Quia apud te propitiatio est: * et propter legem tuam sustinui te, Domino.

Sustinuit anima mea in verbo ejus: * speravit anima mea in Domine.

A custodia matutina usque ad noctem * speret Israel in Domino.

Quia apud Dominum misericordia, * et copiosa apud eum redemptio.

Et ipse redimet Israel * ex omnibus iniquitatibus ejus.

Requiem æternam * dona eis, Domine.

Et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Requiescant in pace.

Amen.

End at pleasure with the following.

V. Domine, exaudi orationem meam,

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus.

Fidelium Deus omnium conditor et redemptor, animabus famulorum famularumque tuarum remissionem cunctorum tribue peccatorum: ut indulgentiam, quam semper optaverunt, piis supplicationibus consequantur. Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculorum.

R. Amen.

V. Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine.
R. Et lux perpetua luceat eis.
V. Requiescant in pace.
R. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Ps. 129.

Out of the depths I have cried unto Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice.

Let Thine ears be attentive: to the voice of my supplication.

If Thou, O Lord, shall mark our iniquities: O Lord, who can abide it?

For with Thee there is mercy: and by reason of Thy law I have waited on Thee, O Lord.

My soul hath waited on His word: my soul hath hoped in the Lord.

From the morning watch even unto night: let Israel hope in the Lord.

For with the Lord there is mercy: and with Him is plenteous redemption.

And He shall redeem Israel: from all his iniquities.

Eternal rest give to them, O Lord.
And let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace.
Amen.

V. Lord, hear my prayer.
R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray.

O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful; grant to the souls of Thy servants departed the remission of all their sins, that by our devout supplications they may obtain that pardon which they have always desired. Who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

V. Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord.
R. And let perpetual light shine upon them.
V. May they rest in peace.
R. Amen.

179.

FIVE TIMES PATER AND AVE, WITH THE V. "TE ERGO," ETC.

i. 300 DAYS, to all the faithful, who, being contrite in heart, and devoutly meditating on the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, shall say in suffrage for the departed, *Pater* and *Ave* five times, with the versicle, *Te ergo quæsumus, tuis famulis subveni, quos pretioso sanguine redemisti;* or, in English, "Eternal Father, we pray Thee, help the souls of Thy servants, whom Thou hast redeemed with the blood of Jesus Christ;" and the *Requiem æternam.*

ii. PLENARY, once a month, on condition of adding prayers for the faithful departed and the usual prayers for the Pope's intention.

180.

PRAYERS FOR THE WHOLE WEEK.

100 DAYS, once a day.

THE PRAYERS.

FOR SUNDAY.

O Lord God Almighty, I pray Thee, by the precious Blood which Thy Divine Son Jesus shed in the garden, deliver the souls in purgatory, and especially that soul amongst them all which is most destitute of spiritual aid; and vouchsafe to bring it to Thy glory, there to praise and bless Thee for ever. Amen.

Pater. Ave. De profundis.

FOR MONDAY.

O Lord God Almighty, I pray Thee, by the precious Blood which Thy Divine Son Jesus shed in His cruel scourging, deliver the souls in purgatory, and that soul especially amongst them all which is nearest to its entrance into Thy glory; that so it may forthwith begin to praise and bless Thee for ever. Amen.

Pater. Ave. De profundis.

FOR TUESDAY.

O Lord God Almighty, I pray Thee, by the precious Blood which Thy Divine Son Jesus shed in His bitter crowning with thorns, deliver the souls in purgatory, and in particular that one amongst them all which would be the last to depart out of those pains, that it may not tarry so long a time before it come to praise Thee in Thy glory and bless Thee for ever. Amen.

Pater. Ave. De profundis.

FOR WEDNESDAY.

O Lord God Almighty, I pray Thee, by the precious Blood which Thy Divine Son Jesus shed in the streets of Jerusalem when He carried the cross upon His sacred shoulders, deliver the souls in purgatory, and especially that soul which is richest in merits before Thee; that so, in that throne of glory which awaits it, it may magnify Thee and bless Thee for ever. Amen.

Pater. Ave. De profundis.

FOR THURSDAY.

O Lord God Almighty, I pray Thee, by the precious Body and Blood of Thy Divine Son Jesus, which He gave with His own Hands upon the eve of His passion to His beloved apostles to be their meat and drink, and which He left to His whole Church to be a perpetual sacrifice and the life-

giving food of His own faithful people, deliver the souls in purgatory, and especially that one which was most devoted to this Mystery of infinite love, that it may with the same Thy Divine Son, and with Thy Holy Spirit, ever praise Thee for Thy love therein in eternal glory. Amen.

Pater. Ave. De profundis.

FOR FRIDAY.

O Lord God Almighty, I pray Thee, by the precious Blood which Thy Divine Son shed on this day upon the wood of the cross, especially from His most sacred Hands and Feet, deliver the souls in purgatory, and in particular that soul for which I am most bound to pray; that no neglect of mine may hinder it from praising Thee in Thy glory and blessing Thee for ever. Amen.

Pater. Ave. De profundis.

FOR SATURDAY.

O Lord God Almighty, I beseech Thee, by the precious Blood which gushed forth from the Side of Thy Divine Son Jesus, in the sight of, and to the extreme pain of His most Holy Mother, deliver the souls in purgatory, and especially that one amongst them all which was the most devout to her; that it may soon attain unto Thy glory, there to praise Thee in her, and her in Thee, world without end. Amen.

Pater. Ave. De profundis.

181.

HEROIC ACT OF CHARITY,

OR

OFFERING OF ALL WORKS OF SATISFACTION AND SUFFRAGES IN BEHALF OF THE SOULS IN PURGATORY.

[*Editor's Note.—As this heroic act of charity is a grant so peculiar and of so much importance, it is thought best to reprint in full the Rubrics concerning it.*]

This heroic act of charity in behalf of the souls in purgatory consists in a voluntary offering made by any one of the faithful in their favour of all works of satisfaction done by him in this life, as well as of all suffrages which shall be offered for him after his death ; by this act he deposits all these works and suffrages into the hands of the Blessed Virgin, that she may distribute them in behalf of those holy souls whom it is her good pleasure to deliver from the pains of purgatory, at the same time that he declares that by this personal offering, he only foregoes in their behalf the special and personal benefit of these works of satisfaction, so that, if he is a priest, he is not hindered from applying the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass according to the intention of those who give him alms for that purpose.

This heroic act of charity, called also a vow of oblation, was instituted by F. Caspar Oliden, a Theatine ; for although it was not unknown in former ages, it was he who propagated it, and it was at his prayer that it was enriched with many Indulgences, first by Pope Benedict XIII., in a decree of August 23, 1728 ; and then by Pope Pius VI., in a decree of December 12, 1788. These Indulgences were finally specified by our Sovereign Pontiff Pius IX., in a

decree of the S. Congr. of Indulgences of September 30, 1852. They are as follows:

i. AN INDULT OF A PRIVILEGED ALTAR, personally, every day in the year to all priests who have made this offering.

ii. PLENARY, applicable only to the departed, to all the faithful who have made this offering, whenever they go to Holy Communion, provided they visit a Church or public Oratory, and pray for a time according to the mind of his Holiness.

iii. PLENARY, every Monday to all who hear Mass in suffrage for the souls in purgatory, provided they visit the Church and pray as above.

iv. All Indulgences granted or to be granted, even though not applicable to the dead, gained by the faithful who have made this offering, may be applied to the holy souls in purgatory.

v. Lastly, the same Sovereign Pontiff, Pope Pius IX., having regard to the young who are not yet communicants, as well as to the poor sick, to those who are afflicted with chronic disorders, to the aged, to farm-labourers, prisoners, and others who are debarred from communicating and are unable to hear Mass on Mondays, vouchsafed by another decree of the S. Congr. of Indulgences of November 20, 1854, to declare that for all the faithful who cannot hear Mass on Monday, the mass heard on Sundays should be available for gaining the Indulgence No. iii.; and that in favour of those who are not yet communicants, or who are hindered from communicating, he leaves it at the disposal of their respective ordinaries to authorise confessors to commute the works enjoined.

And note lastly that, although this act of charity is denominated a vow in some printed tracts, in which also is given a formula for making the offering, no inference is to be drawn therefrom that this offering binds under sin; neither is it necessary to make use of the said formula, since, in order to share in the said Indulgences, no more is required than a hearty act of our will.

182.

ALL INDULGENCES DURING THE HOLY YEAR OF THE JUBILEE, APPLICABLE IN SUFFRAGE FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY.

All the Indulgences which are suspended throughout the Catholic world during the year of the Universal Jubilee are nevertheless applicable to the holy souls in purgatory, even those which are not originally granted for the benefit of the holy souls.

THE DIVINE OFFICE AND THE OFFICE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN.

183.

THE PRAYER, "SACROSANCTÆ," WITH "PATER" AND "AVE," AFTER THE OFFICE.

Pope Leo X. granted to all persons under obligation to recite the Divine Office or the Office of the Blessed Virgin (provided that, kneeling, and with devotion, they say after it the following prayer, *Sacrosanctæ*, composed by Saint Bonaventura, Doctor of the Church, together with a *Pater* and *Ave*), the remission of all defects and faults committed through human frailty in reciting it. And, as this grant is not properly an Indulgence, but rather a compensation for, or a supplying of the defects committed in the recitation of the Office, it follows that it is not suspended during the Holy Year like other Indulgences.

PRAYER.

Sacrosanctæ et Individuæ Trinitati, Crucifixi Domini nostri Jesu Christi humanitati, beatissimæ et gloriosissimæ semperque Virginis Mariæ fœcundæ integritati, et omnium Sanctorum universitati sit sempiterna laus, honor, virtus, et gloria ab

omni creatura; nobisque remissio omnium peccatorum, per infinita sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

V. Beata viscera Mariæ Virginis, quæ portaverunt æterni Patris Filium.

R. Et beata ubera quæ lactaverunt Christum Dominum.

Pater. Ave.

THE GRADUAL OR PENITENTIAL PSALMS.

184.

50 DAYS.

MENTAL PRAYER.

185.

PLENARY, once a month, to all the faithful who make mental prayer devoutly for half an hour, or at least a quarter of an hour a day; to be gained on that day when, after Confession and Communion, they shall pray to God for the Holy Church, &c.

186.

TEACHING AND LEARNING MENTAL PRAYER.

i. PLENARY, once a month, as well to those who frequently teach, either in public or private, the way to meditate or make mental prayer, as to those who frequently learn it; to be gained on the day when, being penitent, they shall, after Confession and Communion, pray for the Holy Church, &c.

ii. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, every time that, being truly penitent, and after Confession and Communion, they teach or are present at the instruction on meditation.

DEVOUT VISITS.

187.

VISITS TO THE CHURCHES OF THE STATIONS.

i. 40 YEARS AND AS MANY QUARANTINES, to all the faithful, every time that during Lent, with contrite hearts and devotion, they visit the Churches of the Stations in the manner prescribed in the book printed for the purpose in Rome.

ii. PLENARY, to all persons who shall have made the visit as above three times, each visit on a different day; to be gained on the usual conditions.

The method prescribed to be used is as follows: First, to visit some Church, and say there the prayers appointed in the book to the Blessed Sacrament, to the Blessed Virgin, and to the holy martyrs; then to go to the Church of the Station, saying on the way the psalm, *Miserere*, *Pater*, *Ave*, and *Gloria*, five times, and then the *Steps of the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ;* and lastly, whilst at the Church itself, to say the Litanies of the Saints, with the versicles and prayers assigned, and at the end the psalm, *De profundis*, &c. All unlearned persons, however, and others who do not possess this book of the Stations, may gain the same Indulgences by saying at the two Churches which they visit such prayers as their own devotion suggests to them, and as are suitable to their capacity; and while they go from one Church to the other they are to say a third part of their rosary with the Litanies, and on leaving the Church of the Station to end their visit with the psalm, *De profundis*, or else with one *Pater noster*, one *Ave Maria*, and a *Requiem æternam* for the holy souls in purgatory.

N.B.—Nuns and others dwelling in monasteries and communities may participate in the benefit of these Indulgences, provided that they keep the method prescribed and visit their own Churches; these Indulgences may also be gained by the sick and prisoners, provided they supply what they are unable to perform by doing some good work enjoined them by their own confessor.

DAYS AND CHURCHES OF THE STATIONS IN ROME.

Jan. 1. *Circumcision of our Lord Jesus Christ.* Station, St. Mary beyond the Tiber. THIRTY YEARS AND THIRTY QUARANTINES. The same Indulgence for the next Four Stations.

Jan. 6. *The Epiphany of our Lord.* St. Peter on the Vatican.

Septuagesima Sunday	St. Laurence outside the Walls.
Sexagesima	St. Paul outside the Walls.
Quinquagesima	St. Peter on the Vatican.
Ash Wednesday	St. Sabina in St. Alexius, and St. Mary in Cosmedin, called Bocca della Verità. FIFTEEN YEARS AND FIFTEEN QUARANTINES.
Thursday aft. Ash Wednesday	St. George in Velabro, and the Church of Jesus and Mary. TEN YEARS AND TEN QUARANTINES. The same Indulgence is granted for all the following days till the fourth Sunday in Lent.
Friday	SS. John and Paul, and St. Gregory on the Celian Hill.
Saturday	St. Tryphon and St. Augustine.
First Sunday in Lent	St. John Lateran.
Monday	St. Peter's Chains and St. John della Pigna.
Tuesday	St. Anastasia.
Wednesday (*Ember day*) ...	St. Mary Major.
Thursday	St. Laurence in Pane e Perna.
Friday (*Ember day*)	The Twelve Holy Apostles.
Saturday (*Ember day*)	St. Peter on the Vatican.
Second Sunday in Lent	St. Mary in Domnica, called the Church of the Navicella, and St. Gregory on the Celian.

Monday	St. Mary Major and St. Clement.
Tuesday	St. Balbina.
Wednesday	St. Cecilia beyond the Tiber.
Thursday	St. Mary beyond the Tiber.
Friday	St. Vitalis.
Saturday	SS. Marcellinus and Peter, near the Lateran Basilica.
Third Sunday in Lent	St. Laurence outside the Walls.
Monday	St. Mark.
Tuesday	St. Pudentiana.
Wednesday	SS. Sixtus, Nereus, and Achilleus.
Thursday	SS. Cosmas and Damian, in the Forum.
Friday	St. Laurence in Lucina.
Saturday	SS. Caius and Susanna, and St. Mary of the Angels at the Baths.
Fourth Sunday in Lent	The Holy Cross in Jerusalem. FIFTEEN YEARS AND FIFTEEN QUARANTINES.
Monday	The Four Saints crowned with Martyrdom. TEN YEARS AND TEN QUARANTINES. The same Indulgences for all the Stations following till Palm Sunday.
Tuesday.....	St. Laurence in St. Damasus, and St. Andrew della Valle.
Wednesday	St. Paul outside the Gates.
Thursday	SS. Martin and Silvester on the Hills, and St. Silvester in Capite.
Friday	St. Eusebius and St. Bibiana.
Saturday	St. Nicholas in Carcere.
Passion Sunday	St. Peter on the Vatican, and St. Lazarus.
Monday	St. Chrysogonus beyond the Tiber.

Tuesday	St. Cyriacus in St. Mary in Viâ Latâ, and SS. Quiricus and Julitta on the Hills.
Wednesday	St. Marcellus.
Thursday	St. Apollinaris.
Friday	St. Stephen on the Celian, and the Round Church of Stephen.
Saturday	St. John before the Latin Gate, and St. Cæsareus.
Palm Sunday	St. John Lateran. TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AND TWENTY-FIVE QUARANTINES.
Monday in Holy Week	St. Praxede. TEN YEARS AND TEN QUARANTINES, also for next three days.
Tuesday in Holy Week	St. Prisca, and St. Mary at the Gate of the People.
Wednesday in Holy Week...	St. Mary Major.
Thursday in Holy Week ...	St. John Lateran. PLENARY after Confession and Communion.
Good Friday	Holy Cross in Jerusalem. THIRTY YEARS AND THIRTY QUARANTINES.
Holy Saturday	St. John Lateran. THE SAME INDULGENCE.
Easter Day	St. Mary Major. PLENARY after Confession and Communion.
Easter Monday	St. Peter on the Vatican, and St. Onuphrius. THIRTY YEARS AND THIRTY QUARANTINES. The same throughout Easter Week and all following Stations till Ascension Day.
Easter Tuesday	St. Paul outside the Walls.
Wednesday in Easter Week	St. Laurence outside the Walls.
Thursday in Easter Week...	The Twelve Holy Apostles.

Friday in Easter Week.....	St. Mary of the Martyrs, called La Rotunda (The Round Church).
Saturday in Easter Week	St. John Lateran.
Low Sunday	St. Pancratius and St. Mary della Scala.
April 25. *Feast of St. Mark the Evangelist*	St. Peter on the Vatican.
Rogation Monday	St. Mary Major.
Rogation Tuesday	St. John Lateran.
Rogation Wednesday	St. Peter on the Vatican.
Ascension Day	St. Peter on the Vatican. PLENARY.
Saturday, Vigil of Pentecost	St. John Lateran. TEN YEARS AND TEN QUARANTINES.
Whit Sunday	St. Peter on the Vatican. THIRTY YEARS AND THIRTY QUARANTINES. The same to Saturday in Whitsun Week.
Whit Monday	St. Peter's Chains.
Whit Tuesday	St. Anastasia.
Wednesday in Whitsun Week (Ember day)	St. Mary Major.
Thursday in Whitsun Week	St. Laurence outside the Walls.
Friday in Whitsun Week (Ember day)	The Twelve Holy Apostles.
Saturday in Whitsun Week (Ember day)	St. Peter on the Vatican.
Wednesday in September (Ember day)	St. Mary Major. TEN YEARS AND TEN QUARANTINES. The same to Third Sunday in Advent.
Friday in September (Ember day)	The Twelve Holy Apostles.
Saturday in September (Ember day	St. Peter on the Vatican.
First Sunday in Advent ...	St. Mary Major.
Second Sunday in Advent...	Holy Cross in Jerusalem.

Third Sunday in Advent ...	St. Peter on the Vatican. FIFTEEN YEARS AND FIFTEEN QUARANTINES.
Wednesday in December (Ember day)	St. Mary Major. TEN YEARS AND TEN QUARANTINES. The same up to Christmas Eve.
Friday in December (Ember day)	The Twelve Holy Apostles.
Saturday in December (Ember day)	St. Peter on the Vatican.
Fourth Sunday in Advent...	The Twelve Holy Apostles.
Dec. 24. *Christmas Eve* ...	St. Mary Major. FIFTEEN YEARS AND FIFTEEN QUARANTINES. The same up to the Third Mass on Christmas Day.
Dec. 25. *Christmas Day. First Mass*	The Altar of the Holy Crib, in St. Mary Major.
Second Mass	St. Anastasia.
Third Mass, and the rest of the day	St. Peter on the Vatican, and St. Mary Major. PLENARY, after Confession and Communion.
Dec. 26. *St. Stephen the first Martyr*	St. Stephen on the Celian Hill, commonly called the Round Church of St. Stephen. THIRTY YEARS AND THIRTY QUARANTINES. The same on two following days.
Dec. 27. *St. John the Apostle and Evangelist*	St. Mary Major.
Dec. 28. *Holy Innocents, Martyrs*.....	St. Paul outside the Walls.

188.

VISIT TO THE SEVEN CHURCHES AND SEVEN PRIVILEGED ALTARS.

The custom of visiting the seven principal Churches in Rome is of most ancient institution. They are as follows: St. Peter on the Vatican; St. Paul and St. Sebastian outside the Walls; St. John Lateran; The Holy Cross in Jerusalem; St. Laurence outside the walls; and St. Mary Major. Whoever, having Confessed and Communicated, shall visit these seven Churches, and pray there according to the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff, may gain the many INDULGENCES with which these Churches have been enriched for every day in the year.

Most ancient also is the custom of visiting in these Churches, but especially in St. Peter on the Vatican, the seven privileged Altars. The seven Altars in St. Peter's are—

1. The Altar of Our Lady, commonly called the "Gregoriana;"
2. Of SS. Processus and Martinianus;
3. Of St. Michael the Archangel;
4. Of St. Petronilla, Virgin;
5. Of Our Lady, commonly called "of the Pillar;"
6. Of the Holy Apostles St. Simon and St. Jude; and
7. Of St. Gregory the Great.

Any of the faithful who, with due dispositions, and if intending to gain the PLENARY INDULGENCES, after Confession and Communion, shall visit devoutly these seven Altars, may obtain the INDULGENCES granted to these Altars. The same Indulgences are also granted to the seven Altars of the seven Churches just mentioned above.

189.

THE INDULGENCE COMMONLY CALLED "IL PERDONO," "THE PARDON."

This Plenary Indulgence, commonly called the Indulgence of the Sacred Pardon, or of the *Sacro Perdono*, may

be gained on the usual conditions, on the 2nd of August, in all the Churches of the three orders instituted by St. Francis.

It may be applied in suffrage for the holy souls in purgatory.

The peculiarity of this Indulgence is, that it may be gained *toties quoties*, that is, as many times as the Church is visited, though on the same day.

CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE.

190.

FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING IT.

i. SEVEN YEARS, to all masters of schools who, on feast days, shall take their scholars to be instructed in Christian Doctrine, or shall themselves instruct them in it.

ii. 100 DAYS, to those masters who, on working days, explain Christian Doctrine in their schools.

iii. 100 DAYS, to fathers and mothers, every time they instruct their children and domestics in Christian Doctrine.

iv. 100 DAYS, to all the faithful, every time they employ themselves for half an hour in studying how to teach, or in learning, Christian Doctrine.

v. THREE YEARS, on all the Feasts of the Blessed Virgin, to the faithful of every age, who are accustomed to assemble in school or church to learn Christian Doctrine, provided they confess on the said Feasts.

vi. SEVEN YEARS, to those who, being of age to communicate, shall on those days receive the Blessed Sacrament.

vii. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, to all the faithful, every time that, after Confession and Communion, they assist at catechism, or doctrinal teaching, or catechise, or teach doctrine.

viii. PLENARY, after Confession and Communion, to those who have the pious custom of assisting at or teaching Christian Doctrine on the Feast of the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, on Easter Day, and on the Feast of the Holy Apostles, SS. Peter and Paul.

EXPLANATION OF THE GOSPEL.

191.

FOR ASSISTING AT THE SAME.

i. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, to all the faithful, every time that they devoutly assist at the Explanation of the Gospel, which is made by the Parish Priests, in their respective parishes on Sundays and the greater festivals of the year, according to the decrees of the holy Council of Trent. (Sess. v. *De Reform*, cap. ii., and sess. xxii., cap. viii.)

ii. PLENARY, on the Feast of the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, on Easter Day, and on the Feast of the Holy Apostles SS. Peter and Paul, on the Epiphany, and Whit Sunday, provided that on those days, after Confession and Communion, they also assist at the said Explanation.

N.B.—These Indulgences may likewise be gained by the Parish Priests themselves, or by others, who from time to time supply their place in the Explanation of the Holy Gospel.

192.

ALMSGIVING IN HONOUR OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH.

i. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, every time any one shall feed three poor persons in memory of, and to the special honour of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, with a heart penitent for sin.

ii. PLENARY, if, on the same day, after Confession and Communion, the person performing this act of charity shall pray according to the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff.

iii. 100 DAYS, to all the members of the family, or domestics of him, by whom this charitable work is done, as well as to all who shall contribute to this work of mercy, whether by lending their own services or by their mere presence.

FOR THE SOVEREIGN PONTIFF.

193.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

V. Oremus pro Pontifice nostro N.
R. Dominus conservet eum et vivificet eum, et beatum faciat eum in terra, et non tradat eum in animam inimicorum ejus.

(*Translation.*)

V. Let us pray for our Pontiff N.
R. The Lord preserve him and give him life, and make him blessed upon earth, and deliver him not up to the will of his enemies.

Pater noster. Ave Maria.

TIMES OF CALAMITY.

194.

N.B.—The following Prayers and Ejaculations are suggested to the faithful, that they may thereby have recourse to God to vouchsafe to free them through the Passion of Jesus Christ, and through the intercession of most holy Mary, from any scourge which they have too justly deserved for their sins.

40 DAYS, once a day.

PRAYERS AND EJACULATIONS.

Mercy of our God, encompass us, and deliver us from every plague.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Eternal Father, sign us with the Blood of the Immaculate Lamb, as Thou didst sign the dwellings of Thy people.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Most precious Blood of Jesus our Love, cry for mercy for us from thy Divine Father, and deliver us.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Wounds of my Jesus, mouths of love and mercy, speak for us in pity to the Eternal Father; hide us within yourselves, and deliver us.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Eternal Father, Jesus is ours; ours His Blood, ours His infinite merits; to Thee we offer ourselves wholly: then, if Thou lovest Him, and holdest precious this gift we make Thee, Thou oughtest to deliver us: for this we hope with fullest confidence.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Eternal Father, Thou desirest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live: in Thy mercy grant that we may live before Thee and be for ever Thine.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Salva nos, Christe Salvator, per virtutem sanctæ crucis; qui salvasti Petrum in mari, miserere nobis.

(*Translation.*)

Save us, Christ our Saviour, by the virtue of Thy holy cross; Thou who didst save Peter in the sea, have mercy upon us.

Mary, Mother of mercy, pray for us, and we shall be delivered; Mary, our advocate, speak for us, and we shall be saved.

The Lord justly scourgeth us for our sins; but do thou, Mary, plead for us, for thou art our most tender Mother.

Mary, in thy Jesus, and in Thee, have we put our hope; O let us never be confounded.

Salve Regina, &c.

195.

ANOTHER PRAYER IN ANY PLAGUE OR TROUBLE.

100 DAYS.

THE PRAYER.

Adjuva nos, Deus salutaris nostri, et propter gloriam nominis tui libera nos; et propitius esto peccatis nostris propter nomen tuum.

Ps. 53.

Deus, in nomine tuo salvum me fac: et in virtute tua judica me.

Deus, exaudi orationem meam: auribus percipe verba oris mei.

Quoniam alieni insurrexerunt adversum me, et fortes quæsierunt animam meam: et non proposuerunt Deum ante conspectum suum.

Ecce enim Deus adjuvat me: et Dominus susceptor est animæ meæ.

Averte mala inimicis meis: et in veritate tua disperde illos.

Voluntarie sacrificabo tibi, et confitebor nomini tuo, Domine: quoniam bonum est.

Quoniam ex omni tribulatione eripuisti me: et super inimicos meos despexit oculus meus.

Gloria Patri, &c.

V. Propter gloriam nominis tui, libera nos.

R. Et propitius esto peccatis nostris propter nomen tuum.

Oremus.

Preces populi tui, quæsumus, Domine, clementer exaudi: ut qui juste pro peccatis nostris affligimur, pro gloria nominis tui misericorditer liberemur. Per Christum Dominum nostrum.

R. Amen.

Te ergo quæsumus tuis famulis subveni, quos pretioso Sanguine redemisti.

(*Translation.*)

Help us, O God of our salvation, and for the glory of Thy name deliver us: be merciful to our sins for Thy name's sake.

Ps. 53.

Save me, O Lord, in Thy name; and judge me in Thy strength.

O God, hear my prayer; give hear to the words of my mouth:

For strangers have risen up against me, and the mighty have sought after my soul, and they have not set God before their eyes.

For, behold, God is my helper, and the Lord is the protector of my soul.

Turn away evil from me upon my enemies, and scatter them in Thy truth.

I will freely sacrifice to Thee; and will give praise, O God, to Thy name, because it is good.

For Thou hast delivered me out of all my trouble, and mine eye hath looked down upon mine enemies.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

V. For the glory of Thy name, deliver us.

R. And deal mercifully with our sins for Thy name's sake.

Let us pray.

Lord, we beseech Thee, in Thy pity hear the prayers of Thy people; that we who suffer justly for our sins may, for the Glory of Thy name, mercifully be delivered. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

We beseech Thee, therefore, help Thy servants, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious Blood.

196.

PRAYER OF V.B. J. LABRÈ, TO OBTAIN A SPECIAL GRACE AND THE MERCY OF GOD IN ANY NECESSITY, PLAGUE, AND TROUBLE.

100 DAYS.

THE PRAYER.

Jesus Christus, Rex gloriæ, venit in pace.
Deus homo factus est.
Verbum caro factum est.
Christus de Maria Virgine natus est.
Christus per medium illorum ibat in pace.
Christus crucifixus est.
Christus mortuus est.
Christus sepultus est.
Christus resurrexit.
Christus ascendit in cœlum.
Christus vincit.
Christus regnat.
Christus imperat.
Christus ab omni malo nos defendat.
Jesus nobiscum est.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

(*Translation.*)

Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, hath come in peace.
God was made man.
The Word was made flesh.
Christ was born of Mary the Virgin.
Christ went through the midst of them in peace.
Christ was crucified.
Christ died.

Christ was buried.
Christ rose from the dead.
Christ ascended into heaven.
Christ is victorious.
Christ reigns.
Christ is Lord of all.
May Christ defend us from all evil.
Jesus is with us.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

Eternal Father, by the Blood of Jesus have mercy; sign us with the Blood of the Immaculate Lamb Jesus Christ, as Thou didst sign the people of Israel, in order to deliver them from death: and do thou, Mary, Mother of mercy, pray to God and appease Him for us, and obtain for us the grace we ask.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Eternal Father, by the Blood of Jesus have mercy; save us from the shipwreck of the world, as Thou didst save Noe from the universal deluge: and do thou, Mary, Ark of salvation, pray to God and appease Him for us, and obtain for us the grace we ask.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Eternal Father, by the Blood of Jesus have mercy; deliver us from the plagues which we have deserved for our sins, as Thou didst deliver Lot from the flames of Sodom. And do thou, Mary, our Advocate, pray to God and appease Him for us, and obtain for us the grace we ask.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Eternal Father, by the Blood of Jesus have mercy; comfort us under our present necessities and troubles, as Thou didst comfort Job, Anna, and Tobias in their afflictions. And do thou, Mary, Comforter of the afflicted, pray to God and appease Him for us, and obtain for us the grace we ask.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Eternal Father, by the Blood of Jesus have mercy; Thou who wouldst not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live, grant us through Thy mercy time for penance; that, filled with contrition and penance for our sins, which are the cause of all our evils, we may live in the holy faith, hope, charity, and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ. And do thou, Mary, Refuge of sinners, pray to God and appease Him for us, and obtain for us the grace we ask.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Precious Blood of Jesus, our Love, cry unto the Divine Father for mercy, pardon, grace, and peace for us, for N., and for all the world.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Mary, our Mother and our Hope, pray to God for us, for N., and for all, and obtain for us the grace we ask.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Blood of Jesus Christ in discharge of all my debt of sin, for the wants of Holy Church, and for the conversion of sinners.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Mary Immaculate, Mother of God, pray to Jesus for us, for N., and for all. Jesu, Mary, mercy!

St. Michael Archangel, St. Joseph, SS. Peter and Paul, protectors of all the faithful in the Church of God, and all ye Angels and Saints of Paradise, men and women, pray to God, and by your intercession obtain grace and mercy for me, for N., and for all. Amen.

197.

TO IMPLORE PEACE.

i. 100 DAYS.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

Ant. Da pacem, Domine, in diebus nostris: quia non est alius qui pugnet pro nobis nisi tu, Deus noster.

V. Fiat pax in virtute tua,
R. Et abundantia in turribus tuis.

Oremus.

Deus, a quo sancta desideria, recta consilia, et justa sunt opera: da servis tuis illam, quam mundus dare non potest, pacem: ut et corda nostra mandatis tuis dedita, et hostium sublata formidine,

tempora sint tua protectione tranquilla. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

(*Translation.*)

Ant. Give peace, O Lord, in our days; for there is none other that fighteth for us, but only Thou, our God.

V. Let there be peace in Thy strength, O Lord,

R. And plenty in Thy strong places.

Let us pray.

O God, from whom proceed all holy desires, all right counsels and just works; grant unto us Thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be devoted to Thy service, and that, being delivered from the fear of our enemies, we may pass our time in peace under Thy protection. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SPIRITUAL CANTICLES.

198.

i. ONE YEAR, to all the faithful every time they promote the singing of the Spiritual Canticles, revised, approved, and collected together in the new Roman edition of 1817.

ii. 100 DAYS, every time any one, with contrition of heart, practises this devotion.

iii. PLENARY, once a month, to all who practise this exercise.

PIOUS EXERCISES FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH.

199.

i. 100 DAYS, on saying the *Ave* three times, as often as any one shall assist the Holy Missions of the Catholic Church, either by contributing his offerings or giving his own help to this object, or exhorting others to do so.

ii. PLENARY, on the usual conditions, three times a year, to any one so assisting this holy work, that is, on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, on the Feast of St. Joseph, and on the Feast of St. Francis Xavier, or some one day in the Octaves of these Feasts.

200.

PRAYER FOR THE CONVERSION OF THE DESCENDANTS OF CHAM IN CENTRAL AFRICA.

i. 300 DAYS.
ii. PLENARY, once a month.

Oremus et pro miserrimis Africæ Centralis populis Æthiopum, ut Deus omnipotens tandem aliquando auferat maledictionem Chami a cordibus eorum, detque illis benedictionem, unice in Jesu Christo, Deo et Domino nostro consequendam.

(*Translation.*)

Let us pray for the most wretched Ethiopians in Central Africa, that Almighty God may at length move the curse of Cham from their hearts, and grant them the blessing to be found only in Jesus Christ, our God and Lord.

PRAYER.

Domine Jesu Christi, unicus salvator universi generis humani, qui jam *dominaris a mari usque ad mare, et a flumine usque ad terminos orbis terrarum:* aperi propitius sacratissimum cor tuum etiam miserrimis Africæ interioris animabus, quæ adhuc in tenebris et umbra mortis sedent; ut intercedente piissima Virgine Maria matre tua immaculata, ejusque sponso gloriosissimo beato Joseph, relictis idolis, coram te procidant Æthiopes, et Ecclesiæ tuæ sanctæ aggregentur. Qui vivis, &c.

Pater noster. Ave Maria. Gloria.

(*Translation.*)

Lord Jesus Christ, the only Saviour of the entire human race, who already rulest from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth, open propitiously Thy most sacred heart also to the most wretched souls of Central Africa, who are still seated in the darkness and the shadow of death, that, through the intercession of the most pious Virgin Mary, Thy immaculate Mother, and of her most glorious spouse, St. Joseph, the Ethiopians, having abandoned their idols, may prostrate themselves before Thee, and be joined to Thy holy Church. Who livest, &c.

Pater noster. Ave Maria. Gloria.

201.

PRAYER FOR THE CONVERSION OF HERETICS AND SCHISMATICS.

300 DAYS, once a day.

O Mary, Mother of mercy and refuge of sinners, we beseech thee to look with pitying eyes on heretical and schismatical nations. Do thou, who art the seat of wisdom, illuminate their minds, wretchedly involved in the darkness of ignorance and sin, that they may know the Holy, Catholic, Apostolic, Roman Church to be the only true Church of Jesus Christ, out of which no sanctity or salvation can be found. Finally, complete their conversion by obtaining for them the grace to believe every truth of our holy faith, and to submit to the Sovereign Roman Pontiff, the vicar of Jesus Christ on earth, that thus, being soon united to us by the bonds of divine charity, they may make with us but one fold under one and the same pastor, and that we may thus, O glorious Virgin, all sing exultingly for ever, "Rejoice, O Virgin Mary! alone thou hast destroyed all heresies in the whole world." Amen.

Ave Maria thrice.

202.

PRAYER FOR THE CONVERSION OF THE GREEK SCHISMATICS.

i. 300 DAYS, once a day.

ii. PLENARY, once a month.

O Immaculate Virgin Mary, we thy servants, and sons of the holy Roman Catholic Church, full of confidence in thy powerful protection, humbly beseech thee that thou wouldst deign to implore of the Holy Ghost, by the honour and glory of His eternal procession from the Father and the Son, the abundance of His gifts for our separated brethren, the Greek schismatics, that, enlightened by His vivifying grace, they may re-enter into the bosom of the Catholic Church, under the infallible guidance of her supreme pastor and teacher, the Sovereign Roman Pontiff; and that thus, sincerely re-united to us by the indissoluble bonds of the same faith and the same charity, they may, with us, glorify, by the practice of good works, the most august Trinity, and at the same time honour thee, O Virgin Mother of God, full of grace, now and through all ages. Amen.

Ave Maria thrice.

BLESSED CROSSES, CRUCIFIXES, ROSARIES, MEDALS, &c.

203.

The following is a Summary of Indulgences granted by his Holiness Pope Pius IX. to the faithful who shall do the pious works herein mentioned, and possess one of the chaplets, rosaries, crosses, crucifixes, statues, or medals blessed by his Holiness, or by some one who has faculties for the purpose. This grant is renewed by every fresh Sovereign Pontiff elect, being published in Latin and the vulgar tongue; and it has been reformed and augmented by the above-named Sovereign Pontiff Pius IX. through the S. Congr. of Indulgences, May 14, 1853.

All the faithful of both sexes are instructed: In the first place, that, in order to gain the Indulgences with which his Holiness the Pope, by his apostolic blessing, enriches chaplets, rosaries, crosses, crucifixes, images, and medals, it is necessary to *wear* or to keep in their possession some one of the aforesaid chaplets, &c.

And, in the second place, that they must say the devout prayers prescribed as the conditions required in order to gain the Indulgences, *at the time that they are wearing* some one of the aforesaid chaplets, crucifixes, &c.; or if not wearing them, they must keep them in their own room, or in some other fitting place in their abode, and recite their prayers before them.

Furthermore, his Holiness does not allow for this purpose *prints* or *pictures*, nor yet crosses, crucifixes, statues, and medals of tin, lead, or of any material that can be easily broken or destroyed. He does, however, allow them to be made of iron, although that material has been hitherto forbidden.

He also desires that the images of Saints engraved upon them should be of those who are already canonised, or of others mentioned in the Roman martyrology.

All this is premised in order to make his Holiness's intention as clear as possible. The Indulgences which can be gained by those who possess one of the aforesaid objects, when blessed, and the pious works to be performed, are as follows:

i. PLENARY, on the undermentioned days, to all who shall say at least once a week the Chaplet of our Lord, or of the Blessed Virgin Mary, or the Rosary, or a third part thereof, or the Divine Office, or the Office of the Blessed Virgin, and of the Dead, or the Seven Penitential or the Gradual Psalms; or whose custom it is to teach the Catechism, or visit prisoners, or the sick in a hospital, or help the poor, or hear Mass, or say Mass if they be priests, provided that they be truly penitent and have confessed to a confessor approved by the ordinary, and shall go to Communion on any of the following days, viz., Christmas Day, the Epiphany, Easter Day, Ascension Day, Pentecost, the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity, of Corpus Christi, the

Purification, Annunciation, Assumption, and Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Nativity of St. John Baptist, the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, Philip and James, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon and Jude, Mattbias, St. Joseph the espoused husband of the Blessed Virgin, and All Saints; at the same time praying to God for the extirpation of heresies and schisms, for the propagation of the Catholic faith, for peace and concord amongst Christian princes, and for the other necessities of Holy Church.

ii. SEVEN YEARS AND SEVEN QUARANTINES, on the other Feasts of our Lord and of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to all who shall perform the aforesaid good works on these feasts; and FIVE YEARS AND FIVE QUARANTINES to those who shall do so on any Sunday or feast in the year; and lastly, 100 DAYS to those who shall perform them on any other day in the year.

iii. 100 DAYS, to those who are accustomed to say at least once a week the Chaplet, or the Rosary, or the Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary, or of the Dead, or the Vespers, or at least one Nocturn of such Office, together with Lauds; or who shall say the Seven Penitential Psalms, with the Litanies and Prayers; to be gained on the day on which they shall say the same.

iv. PLENARY, to all who, at the point of death, shall devoutly recommend their souls to God; and who (according to the instruction of Benedict XIV., of happy memory, expressed in his Constitution of the 5th of April, 1747, which begins *Pia Mater*) shall be ready to receive death with resignation from the hands of God; provided they be truly penitent and have gone to Confession and Communion, or, if unable to comply with this duty, shall at least have invoked with contrition the most holy Name of Jesus with the heart, if not able to do so with the lips.

v. 50 DAYS, to those who shall use any kind of prayer as a preparation before saying Mass, or before the Holy Communion, or before saying the Divine Office or the Office of the Blessed Virgin.

vi. 200 DAYS, to the faithful, every time they shall visit prisoners, or the sick in hospitals, assisting them by some pious action, or shall teach the Catechism in Church, or at home to their own children, relations, and servants.

vii. 100 DAYS, every time, to all who at the sound of the bell of some church in the morning, midday, or evening shall say the usual prayers, *Angelus Domini*, &c.; or who, not knowing them, shall say one *Pater* and *Ave*; or who, in like manner, when the signal-bell for the dead is rung at one hour after nightfall, shall say the Psalm, *De profundis*, &c.; or, not knowing it, one *Pater* and *Ave*.

viii. 100 DAYS, to those who, on Friday, shall devoutly meditate on the Passion and Death of our Lord Jesus Christ, and say the *Pater* and *Ave* thrice.

ix. 100 DAYS, to all those who, being truly sorry for their sins, shall, with a firm purpose of amendment, examine their conscience and say with devotion three times the *Pater noster* and *Ave Maria* in honour of the Most Holy Trinity, or the *Pater noster* and *Ave Maria* five times in memory of the Five Wounds of Jesus Christ.

x. 50 DAYS, to those who shall pray devoutly for the faithful who are near their departure out of this life, or at least shall say for them one *Pater noster* and one *Ave Maria*.

All and each of the Indulgences above named his Holiness permits every one to gain for himself, or to apply by way of suffrage to the souls in purgatory.

His Holiness further declares, that by the grant of the aforesaid Indulgences he in no way intends to derogate from the Indulgences already granted by different Popes, his predecessors, in favour of certain pious works named above; but desires that they should all remain in their full force.

His Holiness also commands that in the distribution and use of the chaplets, rosaries, &c., blessed as above, the decree of Pope Alexander VII., of holy memory, issued the 6th of February, 1657, shall be observed, viz., that the Indulgences annexed to the said objects shall not go beyond the person of him to whom these blessed objects

shall be confided, or at least of those to whom he shall distribute them for the first time; and that when one of them is lost, another shall not be substituted for it at pleasure, all grants or privileges to the contrary notwithstanding; and that they shall not be lent or given to others for a time for the purpose of communicating the Indulgences, in which case they would lose the Indulgences; as also that the said objects, when they have received the papal blessing, shall not be sold, according to the decree of the S. Congr. of Indulgences and Holy Relics published the 5th of June, 1721.

His Holiness also confirms the decree of Benedict XIV., of holy memory, issued the 19th of August, 1752, by which he expressly declares that Mass said at an altar where such crucifixes medals, &c., may be placed, or which is celebrated by a priest who wears them, does not become privileged in virtue of crucifixes, medals, &c., blessed as above.

Moreover it is forbidden to all persons who assist the dying to give them the blessing, with the Plenary Indulgence *in articulo mortis*, by means of these crucifixes or medals, without a special faculty obtained in writing, as the said Sovereign Pontiff Benedict XIV. had already sufficiently provided for that blessing in his Constitution, *Pia Mater*, already quoted.

Finally, his Holiness desires and enjoins that this present list of Indulgences, now revised and corrected for the greater convenience of the faithful, be printed in Latin and Italian, and in any other language, provided that the said version have the approbation of the Holy See, or of the S. Congr. of Indulgences; but it is not to be printed out of Rome in any language *before* this approbation has been obtained; all other decrees, constitutions, or dispositions to the contrary, however minutely specified, notwithstanding.

204.

CROSSES, CHAPLETS, AND ROSARIES OF THE HOLY LAND.

All the Indulgences mentioned in the aforesaid summary may be obtained by any of the faithful who

possess any of the crosses, chaplets or rosaries which have touched the Holy Places and Sacred Relics of the Holy Land, by the concession of the Venerable Pope Innocent XI.

The selling of these crosses, &c., is prohibited, after they have touched these Sacred Relics, as also the exchange of them for other wares, and the lending of them for the purpose of communicating the Indulgences to others.

APPENDIX.

OF INDULGENCES FOR RELIGIOUS PERSONS OF BOTH SEXES.

Religious of both sexes of every order and institute may, on fulfilling the works enjoined, gain the above Indulgences, since all, a very few excepted, are granted to persons in every state of life.

Moreover, Pope Paul V., by his universal Brief, May 23, 1606, commencing *Romanus Pontifex*—after revoking (with the exception of the Indulgences annexed to Churches, as the S. Congr. of Indulgences declared, September 7, 1607, and the S. Congr. of Bishops and Regulars, August 21, 1615) all and every Indulgence previously granted to the Regular orders of both sexes, being religious of any denomination whatsoever, and having taken the three solemn vows according to the declaration of the S. Congr. of Indulgences of May 8, 1713, and April 23, 1714—granted anew for ever the following Indulgences to the religious of every order, whether monastic or mendicant, and to the nuns of every approved rule living under the three solemn vows in perpetual cloister, viz. :

i. PLENARY, to all the faithful of both sexes who, in accordance with the Apostolic Constitutions, wear the religious habit for the purpose of professing that Regular Institute which they have chosen ; to be gained on the first day of their entrance into religion, or on the day of their clothing, on condition of their being truly penitent for their sins and having gone to Confession and Communion.

ii. PLENARY, to every novice, male and female, on the day of their making their religious profession, after having finished the year of their clothing, on condition of their being truly penitent, and having gone to Confession and Communion.

(With regard to nuns, Pope Benedict XIII., by a Brief, universal and perpetual, *In supremo*, of April 11, 1728, granted the PLENARY INDULGENCE afresh, on the same conditions as above, on the day of their veiling, benediction, or consecration, as in the case of their religious profession.)

iii. PLENARY, to every religious of either sex, as above, who, having Confessed, shall go to Communion on the principal Feast of his or her order; or who, being a priest, shall celebrate the Holy Mass and pray to God for the Holy Church, &c.

iv. PLENARY, *in articulo mortis*, to all religious of both sexes, as above, who, being penitent, have gone to Confession and Communion; or who, being unable to do so, shall be at least contrite for their sins, and invoke devoutly with their lips or heart the most holy Name of Jesus.

v. PLENARY, to every religious man on the day that, after having been canonically promoted to the priesthood, he shall, after Confession, celebrate for the first time Holy Mass; PLENARY, also, to his fellow-religious who shall be present at his first Mass, provided that they have Confessed and Communicated on that day, or who, being priests, have celebrated Holy Mass.

vi. PLENARY, and remission of all sins to all religious of both sexes, as often as they shall, with the leave of their respective superiors, make for ten days the spiritual exercises, applying themselves during that time to meditation on the four last things, on the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, on the blessings of God, &c., and passing at least two hours each day in mental prayer, and exercising themselves in other practices of virtue, mortification, vocal prayer, or ejaculatory prayer, or the like; and provided also that, having made either a general, or annual, or ordinary Confession, they shall go to Communion, or, if priests, celebrate Holy Mass.

vii. THE INDULGENCES OF THE STATIONS, to all religious of both sexes, as above, who, on the days of the Stations described in the Roman Missal, shall visit devoutly their own Church, and pray there as if they were making the visit personally to the Churches of the Stations in Rome on the days prescribed.

viii. AN INDULGENCE OF FIVE YEARS AND FIVE QUARANTINES, to all religious of both sexes, as above, who shall say the *Pater* and *Ave* before the altar of their Church. The same Indulgence to those religious who, being for a legitimate reason away from home on a journey, or dwelling outside the walls of their monastery in the capacity of lecturers, preachers, &c., with leave of their superiors, shall say the *Pater* and *Ave* five times before any altar whatever.

ix. SIXTY YEARS AND SIXTY QUARANTINES, on the last Sunday in the month, after Confession and Communion, or, if priests, after having celebrated Holy Mass, to all religious of both sexes, as above, who for an entire month shall make daily half an hour's mental prayer.

x. THREE YEARS AND THREE QUARANTINES, to all religious of both sexes, as above, who, being contrite in heart and penitent, shall at Chapter, or whenever they shall hold spiritual conference together, say *Mea culpa*, accusing themselves of their sins, defects, and imperfections.

xi. PLENARY, to every religious each time that, in obedience to the Sovereign Pontiff, and with leave of superiors, he goes into the countries of the infidels or heretics to preach the faith of Jesus Christ and instruct them, &c., after Confession and Communion, or, if a priest, after having celebrated Holy Mass, as well on setting out for his journey as on entering the aforesaid provinces or kingdoms.

xii. PLENARY, to all religious of both sexes, when, on a General Visitation, the Superior sets up the Quarant Ore in the convents and monasteries of his order for the happy event of the same, as often as they make two hours' prayer at intervals before the Blessed Sacrament, for peace among Christian princes, &c., for the better observance of

the rule and regular discipline ; to be gained after Confession and Communion, or, in the case of priests, after celebration of Holy Mass.

These are the Indulgences which regard all the aforesaid religious of both sexes in general ; and according to the tenor of the said Brief of Paul V. they are also conceded generally to other congregations and colleges of religious men, as well as to monasteries, congregations, and communities of nuns who live without cloister, and with simple vows alone. In particular, however, every regular order, every convent, monastery, college, and congregation of religious persons of both sexes, enjoy many other Plenary and Partial Indulgences, of which we do not here undertake to make mention, inasmuch as our object in this *Raccolta* is to restrict ourselves to the mention of those prayers and pious works enriched with holy Indulgences, which are for the most part universal, and common to every condition of person.

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DECRETUM.

Romani Pontifices, quibus præcipua demandata est cura de Christi gregis æterna procuranda salute, apertis Ecclesiæ thesauris, pene innumeras Indulgentias concesserunt ad spiritualem Christianorum utilitatem, cum "*Indulgentiarum usum Christiano populo maxime salutarem esse*," Sacra Tridentina Synodus doceat. (Sess. xxv. *in Decret. de Indulg.*) Accidit tamen, et persæpe evenire solet, ut a fidelibus præfatæ Indulgentiæ non acquirantur ex eo quod vel earum concessiones, aut injunctæ conditiones adimplendæ omnino ignorantur, vel ex eo quod in nonnullis præsertim opusculis, aut impressis foliis, quæ per orbem absque hujus Sacræ Congregationis approbatione circumferuntur, ne quid de illis Indulgentiis dicatur, quæ apocriphæ quoque sunt et falsæ, nec singulæ nec integræ conditiones declarentur. Quamobrem opportunum et necessarium jamdudum S. Eidem Congregationi videbatur, ut preces ac pia opera illa præcipue quibus ex generalibus Summorum Pontificum elargitionibus Indulgentiæ sunt annexæ ex suis germanis fontibus fideliter hausta et simul collecta, atque ordine digesta in vulgus ederentur. Quod quidem ad annum usque millesimum octogesimum quadragesimum quartum perfecit clar. me. Canonicus Telesphorus Galli hujus S. Congregationis consultor. Ne autem posteriores Indulgentiarum concessiones tum a felic. rec. Gregorio Papa XVI. tum a Pio IX. Pontifice Optimo Maximo, peractæ in præfata collectione deessent, ipsas Aloisius Prinzivalli Archipresbyter insignis Basilicæ S. Mariæ in Cosmedin de urbe, Secretariæ ejusdem Sacræ Congregationis substitutus, in decima secunda editione collectas, in hac urbe evulgavit, atque iterum ab eo ex Typographia Salvioniana novis generalibusque concessionibus locupletata in lucem emittitur.

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DECREE.

The Sovereign Pontiffs of Rome, to whom especially has been committed the care of advancing the eternal salvation of the flock of Christ, have granted an almost countless number of Indulgences for the spiritual benefit of Christians, the holy Council of Trent teaching that "the use of Indulgences is most wholesome to Christian people." (Sess. xxv. in *the Decree of Indulgences.*) Cases, however, occur, and that not unfrequently, when the said Indulgences are not gained by the faithful, either because the grants of the Indulgences, or the conditions enjoined to be fulfilled, are altogether unknown, or because, in certain little tracts or printed papers hawked about without the approbation of this Holy Congregation (not to speak of those Indulgences which are apocryphal and false), the conditions are not singly and integrally specified. For this reason, it has long seemed to the said Sacred Congregation fitting and necessary that the prayers and good works, and especially those to which, from the *general* grants of Sovereign Pontiffs, Indulgences have been

annexed, should be faithfully extracted from their genuine sources, collected together, and published in order under their proper headings. Accordingly these Indulgences, up to the year 1844, were collected and published by Canon Telesphorus Galli, Consultor of this Holy Congregation. In order, however, that the later grants of Indulgences, made both by Pope Gregory XVI., of happy memory, and by our present Sovereign Pontiff, Pius IX., might not be omitted in the said collection, Aloysius Prinzivalli, Archpresbyter of the illustrious Basilica of St Mary in Cosmedin, in this holy city, Sub-secretary of the Office of the said Holy Congregation, has published them together with the rest in this thirteenth edition, this being now the second time that this collection has been published by him from the Salvionian Press, enriched with the new general grants.

Wherefore this Holy Congregation presiding over Indulgences and Sacred Relics hath not only approved of this work of his, as most useful to the living and dead, and recognised it as authentic, but has also issued an admonition that in future, if in any edition of this work, or version in any language, any doubt hereafter arise, either as regards the grants of Indulgences themselves or the conditions prescribed, recourse is to be had to this thirteenth Roman edition, referred to in the Acts of the said Holy Congregation; and accordingly, that all men may everywhere have access to this Decree, the said Holy Congregation hath commanded it to be printed in Latin and the vulgar tongue, and annexed to the end of the said thirteenth edition.

Given at Rome, from the Secretary's Office of the said Holy Congregation of Indulgences, this fifteenth of December, 1854.

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